PROCEEDINGS of the THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION of the

Evangelical Lutheran Synod OF NEBRASKA,

HELD IN TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, BEATRICE, NEB.,

SEPTEMBER 21-25, 1910,

REV. ROY MAREEN BADGER, PASTOR.

Also the MINUTES of the THIRTIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION of the

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

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Synodical Calendar, 1910-1911.

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J. H. HUMPE, 1 year, Rev. FULLER BERGSTRESSER, 1 year.

SPEAKERS FOR 1911.

Devotional Services for Entire Session of Synod, Rev. A. E. DEITZ.

Wednesday Night—Synodical Sermon.
Rev. J. E. HUMMON, *President.*

Principal.	*Alternate.*
Thursday Night—Pastors' Fund.	
Rev. FULLER BERGSTRESSER,	Rev. H. VOEGTLY.
Friday Night—Home Missions.	
Rev. L. P. LUDDEN, D. D.,	Rev. M. D. BERG.
Saturday Afternoon—Preparatory Service, 3:00 P. M.	
Rev. C. B. HARMAN,	Rev. OSCAR WOODS.
Saturday Night—"The Calling of the College."	
Rev. M. F. TROXELL, D. D.,	Rev. C. R. LOWE.
Sunday Morning—Communion.	
Rev. L. L. LIPE,	Rev. C. J. RINGER.
Sunday Night—Ordination.	
Rev. J. A. LOWE, Ph. D.,	Rev. J. A. KOSER.

TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

Time—September, 1911. *Place*—Omaha, Neb.

PROCEEDINGS of the Thirty-Eighth
ANNUAL CONVENTION of the

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of NEBRASKA,

HELD IN TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH,
BEATRICE, NEB., September 21-25, 1910.

Pursuant to adjournment the Thirty-eighth Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska met in Trinity Lutheran Church, Beatrice, Nebraska, September 21st to 25th, 1910, Rev. Roy Mareen Badger, pastor.

EVENING SERVICE.

WEDNESDAY, 8:00 O'CLOCK.

The Synodical Sermon was preached by Rev. L. Groh, D. D., President of Synod. Text: 1 Samuel xiv. 6.

FIRST SESSION.

THURSDAY, 8:30 A. M.

The half-hour devotional service was conducted by Rev. R. A. White.

At nine o'clock Synod was called to order by the President and, after the regular Morning Service of Public Worship, was declared open and ready for business.

Roll was called and credentials of lay delegates were received.

Synodical Roll.

	Clerical.	Entered Ministry.	Address.	Lay Delegates.
1	W. F. Eyster, D. D., *a. e.*	1841	Crete.	
2	S. L. Aughey, D. D., *a. e.*	1858	Spokane, Wash.	
3	J. F. Kuhlman	1858	Pawnee City.	
4	J. G. Groenmiller, D. D., *a. e.*	1858	Hanover, Kans.	
5	B. Sickel	1862	Marysville, Kans.	
6	L. Groh, D. D.	1863	Omaha.	John Harberg.
7	J. L. Hammond	1870	Homer.	J. M. King, *a. e.*
8	L. L. Lipe	1871	Grand Island	Fred Soll.
9	G. W. Snyder	1872	Omaha.	
10	D. Z. Foulk, *a. e.*	1873	York Springs, Pa.	
11	L. M. Augustine, *a. e.*	1874	Grand Island	B. H. Noelting.
12	J. A. Koser.	1874	Nebraska City.	F. J. Robertson, M. D.
13	J. A. Lowe, Ph. D.	1876	Wilber.	
14	G. W. Fraser, *a. e.*	1878	Omaha.	
15	L. P. Ludden, D. D.	1878	Lincoln.	
16	A. P. Ludwig	1879	Jamestown, Mo.	
17	Henry Heiner	1879	Lincoln.	
18	W. G. Gettle, *a. e.*	1880	Table Rock.	
19	M. L. Melick	1880	Omaha.	John Hay Kuhns, *a. e.*
20	M. F. Troxell, D. D.	1881	Atchison, Kans.	
21	L. M. Kuhns	1885	Omaha.	
22	R. A. White	1886	York	M. L. Warner.
23	E. Lee Fleck	1886	Lincoln.	
24	S. L. Keller	1887	Dakota	T. F. McGlashan.
25	A. E. Deitz	1891	Ponca.	
26	W. C. Eckert, *a. e.*	1891	Dakota.	
27	H. C. Bixler	1892	Bruning.	Harvey Keim.
28	Fuller Bergstresser	1893	Lincoln	Elmer C. Larson.
29	C. J. Ringer	1894	Wayne.	Robt. Stambaugh, *a. e.*
30	James B. Guiney	1894	McCool Junction.	August Kaliff.
31	H. A. Wolfe.	1894	Davenport.	
32	W. S. Oberholtzer, *a. e.*	1895	——, Texas.	
33	M. D. Berg	1896	Hardy	Roy Peckham.
34	E. F. Kistler.	1896	Benson	Hans Johnson.
35	G. W. Livers.	1899	Benedict	G. U. Warner.
36	E. H. Combs	1899		
37	S. H. Yerian	1900	S. Omaha	O. F. Lindberg.
38	C. B. Harman	1900	North Platte.	
39	J. E. Hummon.	1901	Omaha.	E. A. Van Fleet.
40	R. M. Badger.	1902	Beatrice	J. Albright.
41	C. H. B. Lewis, *a. e.*	1904	Lincoln.	
42	L. J. Powell	1904	West Point	A. L. Krause.
43	H. Voegtly	1904	Wolbach.	Ernest Mortensen.
44	Gustav Klatt.	1905	Stamford.	
45	R. W. Livers, *a. e.*	1905	Denver.	

a. e. Absent and excused.

Synodical Roll—*Concluded.*

	Clerical.	Entered Ministry.	Address.	Lay Delegates.
46	Oscar Woods	1905	S. Auburn.....	B. Mellott.
47	F. R. Shirck	1906	Stella.	W. H. Hogrefe.
48	C. R. Lowe.....	1906	Rising City	A. Towner.
49	Geo. N. Mendenhall	1908	Atchison, Kans.	
50	C. J. Callier	1910	Oshkosh.	
51	M. E. Bollinger, *a. e.*.....	....	Sutherland.	
			Erickson	Ole Bogseth.
			Yutan	Jonas Bender.
			Potter	D. H. Shultz.
			Tekamah.	G. A. Crannell.
			Sidney.	Herman Schroeder.

a. e. Absent and excused.

On motion the bar of Synod was fixed within the fourth row of pews.

The President's Report was read and referred to the proper Committee.

President's Report.

To the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska. In the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.

Fathers and Brethren:

By the Grace of God, I bring before you some of the facts transpiring in our Synod. Our years pass "as a tale that is told." From September, 1909, South Auburn, to September, 1910, Beatrice, seems but a few weeks. Yet many experiences were made in that time. Joys and sorrows, successes and failures, depressions and jubilations, advances and retreats have marked many a point with exultations or deep-drawn sighs.

Materially this year was not one of the best. This condition was widespread. Its range was far beyond our state. It was not a failure anywhere. Compared to some foreign lands, we can say: The Lord has opened the windows of Heaven for us.

We have made advances in the work. We lost some laborers. But we've gained more. Health in our pastors' families has been good. Serious affliction entered only one of them. Our venerable Dr. Groenmiller has been a great sufferer himself, and after a long siege of illness, lost his esteemed life-companion by death.

We offer our deepest condolence and our most fraternal sympathy. God rules surely. Romans viii. 28.

CHANGES IN SYNOD—DISMISSALS.

I gave letters of honorable dismissal to the following, on their own request:

Rev. J. F. Seibert, September 28, 1909, to Northern Ilinois Synod.

Rev. L. F. Gunderman, December 14, 1909, to Central Illinois Synod.

Rev. N. P. Grose, June 25, 1910, to Presbyterian Synod.

Rev. W. C. Heidenreich, July 9, 1910, to Synod of Northern Illinois.

Rev. M. L. Kunkelman, M. D., August 22, 1910, to California Synod.

Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph. D., December 21, 1908, to Synod of California.

RESIGNATIONS AND DATES THEREOF.

Rev. W. S. Oberholtzer, Dakota, October 1st.

Rev. M. L. Kunkelman, M. D., South Auburn, October 12th.

Rev. E. H. Combs, Potter, Nebr., January 1st.

Rev. W. C. Heidenreich, Oshkosh Pastorate, June 1st.

Rev. R. W. Livers, South Omaha, April 3d.

Rev. N. P. Grose, Sidney, Nebr., April 20th.

Rev. R. W. Dowd, Tekamah, June 25th.

Rev. C. R. Lowe, Rising Pastorate, July 10th.

CALLS ACCEPTED AND FIELDS ENTERED.

Rev. R. W. Dowd, Tekamah, September 5th, provisionally. Entered fully October 17th.

Rev. Fuller Bergstresser, Grace Church, Lincoln, September 15th. Entered the work October 17th.

Rev. C. B. Harman, September 20th, North Platte. Began work November 1st.

Rev. J. B. Guiney, to McCool. Entered the field December 1st.

Rev. S. H. Yerian, to S. Omaha. Began work April 12th.

Rev. Oscar Woods, to S. Auburn. Entered the parish May 5th.

Rev. C. J. Callier, to Oshkosh. Commenced his labors in that field June 16th.

Rev. M. E. Bollinger, June 1st, to Sutherland and Paxton pastorate. He began work June 15th.

Rev. S. L. Keller, to Dakota. Began work August 1st.

Rev. Henry Voegtly, to Wolbach in August. He moved to the field from Pennsylvania, September 1st.

The brethren Floyd Blessing and Paul Buelow, students from

Atchison, did excellent vacation work. The former supplied S. Sioux and Hubbard; the latter Potter, both from June to September.

INSTALLATIONS.

On October 10th, Rev. H. C. Bixler was installed at Bruning; Revs. H. A. Wolfe and M. D. Berg officiated.

On October 24th, Rev. L. J. Powell installed Rev. N. P. Grose at Sidney.

On November 7th, Rev. Dr. Yarger installed Rev. C. B. Harman at North Platte.

Rev. H. Heiner was installed as pastor at Havelock, January 16th, by Rev. F. Bergstresser.

On May 29th, Revs. H. C. Bixler and L. P. Ludden, D. D., installed Rev. J. B. Guiney at McCool.

NEW CHURCHES AND IMPROVEMENTS.

On October 3d the corner-stone of our South Omaha mission was laid. Rev. R. W. Livers was pastor.

On December 19th Rev. B. F. Kistler, at Benson, had his fine new church dedicated.

On September 11th the improved and totally renovated church at York, Rev. R. A. White, was dedicated.

Last fall the Grace church, Omaha, Rev. M. L. Melick, pastor, made many improvements. As all these churches will be mentioned in the report of the Advisory Board of Home Missions, no need of saying more here.

St. Mark's, of Omaha, built a very good parsonage last fall. It also paid $1,000 to the Board of Church Extension ere it was due.

NEW WORK.

On April 1st, Rev. G. W. Snyder, now of Omaha, began work at 19th and Castellar streets. It will come before Synod, through the Advisory Report. Many good, new points could be opened, if we had the men. Rev. Heiner has gathered and organized a congregation at Havelock.

GAINS AND LOSSES.

During the year we have lost 6 by removal and gained 11 others, equally efficient.

VACANCIES.

None of our churches have been without service, save Pawnee. They deem themselves out of all hope. I don't share their humble conviction. Still Tekamah will be vacant soon. Also Rising City and Surprise pastorate. An application to separate these will come before Synod. The supply of Potter will cease this month; so will that of Hubbard and S. Sioux. The former has good hopes of getting a pastor. The latter offers great opportunities. Waverly and Yutan have stated supply by Rev. E. Lee Fleck, of Lincoln. Roca had fairly regular supply until lately. Sidney is expecting a pastor soon. Rev. J. F. Kuhlman served the Kerl church for about a year but has discontinued.

NEW MEMBERS.

Rev. F. Bergstresser, Grace, Lincoln; Rev. R. W. Dowd, Tekamah; Rev. C. B. Harman, North Platte; Rev. J. B. Guiney, McCool; Rev. S. H. Yerian, South Omaha; Rev. Oscar Woods, South Auburn; Rev. C. J. Callier, Oshkosh; Rev. M. E. Bollinger, Sutherland; Rev. S. L. Keller, Dakota; Rev. Henry Voegtly, Wolbach; Rev. E. Lee Fleck, Waverly; Rev. G. W. Snyder, Trinity, Omaha.

Other things not in my report will claim the attention of Synod. They will come before you in the regular channels—permanent committees, letters and papers.

VISITING.

I did much less of it than last year. There was less call for it. There were fewer vacancies. And I knew every pastorate fairly, having been in all, save one. I traveled 5,600 miles. I bring no bill. For postage my bill is $6.25.

In closing my report, permit me to say, I do it with joy and sadness. Joy as it takes a burden away. Sadness, because I'll miss the many cheery, brotherly greetings. The care of all the churches is truly a responsibility, but also a privilege. Am deeply, sincerely thankful to the brethren who so cheerily helped me. Their fraternal assistance is fully appreciated. The Lord rules. Romans viii. 28. "Our hearts ever outrun our footsteps." We never accomplish all we wish. God bless the Synod and everyone in it. I look ahead with cheery hope. All were willing—some lacked opportunity. Bear ye one another's burdens. To criticise and embarrass is wicked.

Respectfully submitted, L. GROH.

The Treasurer's Report was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

Treasurer's Report.

Brethren of the Nebraska Synod:

Herewith is submitted my annual report as Treasurer for the year ending September 12, 1910:

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand last report	$1038 70
Received for General Synod	59 71
Received for Synodical Treasury	303 37
Received for Home Missions	929 70
Received for Foreign Missions	704 40
Received for Church Extension	581 42
Received for Board of Education	504 10
Received for Ministerial Education	386 35
Received for Pastors' Fund	144 67
Received for Nachusa Orphans' Home	130 55
Received for Deaconess Board	177 36
Received for National Lutheran Home	92 85
Received for Tabitha Home	139 53
Received for Midland Library Endowment	158 42
Received for external objects	114 28
Total	$5465 41

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Treasurer of General Synod	$62 97
Paid Treasurer of Home Missions	962 66
Paid Treasurer of Foreign Missions	716 00
Paid Treasurer of Board of Education	621 17
Paid Treasurer of Church Extension	530 43
Paid Treasurer of Pastors' Fund	146 67
Paid Treasurer of Nachusa Orphans' Home	139 54
Paid Treasurer of Deaconess Board	192 99
Paid Treasurer of National Lutheran Home	93 85
Paid Treasurer of Tabitha Home	192 61
Paid Treasurer of Midland College	172 62
Paid Treasurer of Midland Improvement Fund	54 50
Paid R. A. White, special contributions for York	8 65

Paid from Synodical Mission Fund—		
Rev. Henry Heiner	$50 00	
Rev. M. E. Bollinger	30 00	
Rev. G. M. Snyder	250 00	
		$330 00
Paid from Ministerial Education Fund—		
Ralph R. Weissmiller	$125 00	
Floyd E. Blessing	125 00	
R. Fred White	125 00	
Martin Mortensen	125 00	
		500 00
Paid from Synodical Treasury—		
Rev. L. Groh	$8 50	
Rev. J. A. Koser	4 82	
Rev. M. L. Melick	7 65	
Rev. C. J. Ringer	3 10	
Rev. Geo. W. Livers	22 93	
Rev. J. A. Lowe	6 80	
Rev. R. W. Livers	11 00	
Rev. J. E. Hummon	12 50	
Rev. R. A. White	2 28	
Rev. L. L. Lipe	3 88	
Jos. H. Miller	16 25	
Lutheran Publication Society	215 13	
		314 84
Cash on hand		415 91
Total		$5465 41
Cash on hand is as follows—		
Synodical Mission Fund		$294 61
Ministerial Education		12 76
Synodical Treasury		108 54
		$415 91

From the Treasurer's exhibit it will be learned that $4,426.71 have been received from all objects during the year; that 18 churches have no deficits on any objects; that there is a deficit of $1,424.86 on the various objects, and that Tabitha Home alone has an excess. Four churches gave nothing during the year, and a few only small amounts.

Mention is made of the fact that since special days are not so generally used as formerly for special objects, the tendency is more and more to give only the amount apportioned to each object. It would seem that many consider the apportionment the maximum sum to be given instead of the minimum.

There was paid to all objects, according to vouchers on hand, $5,049.50.

Since closing my books on September 12th for the purpose of making my report, the following sums have been received:

Rising City	$11 55
South Auburn	79 98
Omaha, Grace	15 60
Omaha, K. M.	287 21
Potter	10 00
Ponca	28 07
Grand Island	140 74
York	1 05
Rev. A. T. Ludwig	2 00
Beatrice	34 90
Benson	30 60
Benedict, Zion	5 35
Benedict, Bethel	7 90
Wilber	1 75
McCool Junction	1 00
Rev. Chas. H. Lewis	2 00
Grand Island	47 72
Omaha, St. M.	10 00
Luther M. Kuhns	3 00
G. M. Mendenhall	2 00
Total supplement	$722 42
Total on hand	$1138 33

As a result of these receipts, the following churches are added to the list of those that paid all objects in full: Rising City, Omaha, Kountze Memorial, Ponca, York, Beatrice, Wilber.

It is unfortunate that so many remit too late to have full credit on Treasurer's exhibit.

Respectfully submitted, JOS. H. MILLER.

Treasurer's Exhibit for the Synodical Year.

	General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	Pastors' Fund.	Nachusa Home.	Deaconess Board.	National Lutheran Home.	Tabitha Home.	Midland Library Endowment.	External Objects.	Total.	Debits on Various Objects.
Beatrice	$3 58	$17 70	$60 65	$31 80	$35 80	$35 80	$26 85	$18 53	$14 09	$16 11	$8 95	$5 37	$17 90	.....	$281 33	$17 90
Benedict, Bethel	2 50	8 75	7 50	5 00	5 00	5 00	3 75	1 75	1 75	2 25	1 25	2 40	2 50	$2 25	46 65	.....
Benedict, Zion	1 36	6 86	23 86	4 60	8 00	7 00	6 00	1 10	3 40	2 00	1 00	2 35	.....	.....	47 41	49 18
Benson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	145 35
Bruning	1 00	3 40	12 25	10 25	7 00	7 00	5 30	.....	5 30	3 66	2 00	5 30	3 40	.....	68 36	.....
Dakota, Emmanuel	2 82	2 10	7 35	6 30	5 61	7 13	3 15	1 47	1 05	1 89	1 05	4 45	2 10	.....	44 69	.....
Dakota, Salem	1 68	8 40	.....	.....	2 80	2 80	1 40	1 68	4 20	2 52	1 40	2 52	6 30	.....	37 80	105 65
Davenport	1 40	7 00	24 80	14 00	14 00	14 00	10 50	5 88	3 70	3 78	2 00	7 10	7 00	.....	135 86	.....
Erickson	32	1 60	5 80	3 20	3 20	3 20	2 40	1 33	86	1 44	3 35	66	1 60	.....	27 80	189 16
Grand Island	.....	.....	28 00	.....	28 00	28 00	21 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	178 00	.....
Hardy	1 68	8 40	37 70	16 80	16 80	16 80	12 60	5 86	4 20	7 56	4 20	8 82	8 40	10 00	172 72	68
Hardy, Jewell	58	2 19	9 72	13 60	4 40	4 40	3 30	1 54	1 10	1 98	1 10	2 80	2 19	5 00	53 28	61
Hendby	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 50
Homer	58	2 60	9 10	8 00	5 20	5 20	3 90	1 82	2 41	2 34	1 30	2 60	.....	.....	45 77	37 58
Hufford	58	1 00	3 80	1 73	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 53	37 58
Lewellen	74	3 70	13 81	.....	.....	.....	5 55	10 50	7 20	13 00	7 20	5 00	14 40	.....	53 86	40 87
Lincoln	2 80	14 40	50 40	43 20	33 60	28 80	21 60	10 50	7 20	13 00	7 20	5 00	14 40	.....	255 80	.....
McCool Junction	1 20	4 00	14 00	10 00	8 00	8 00	3 30	1 50	3 00	.....	.....	5 00	4 00	.....	54 00	35 70
North Platte	3 40	17 00	64 50	51 00	34 00	34 00	25 50	11 90	8 50	15 30	8 50	5 10	17 00	42 50	338 80	.....
Omaha, Grace	2 62	9 38	34 00	26 20	18 80	18 80	14 10	6 86	5 30	9 54	5 30	3 93	.....	.....	122 83	118 68
Omaha, Kountze Memorial	8 88	44 40	155 40	34 07	88 80	88 80	66 60	30 90	22 20	39 96	22 20	13 32	.....	.....	522 47	236 77
Omaha, St. Mark's	2 30	11 50	40 00	25 00	23 00	23 00	17 25	8 00	5 75	10 35	3 00	3 45	11 50	.....	267 60	3 65
Orleans	50	.....	1 80	1 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	3 50	11 60
Oshkosh	.....	2 50	8 75	7 50	5 00	5 00	3 75	1 75	.....	.....	1 25	1 00	.....	.....	32 50	9 50
Pawnee	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	34 80
Pawnee, Zion	.....	.....	3 80	6 00	2 00	3 00	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	18 00	20 60
Paxton	2 50	3 75	4 50	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 50	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	24 75	60 75
Ponca	1 80	9 00	32 40	27 60	18 40	.....	13 80	6 44	.....	8 28	.....	3 00	9 20	.....	129 92	27 63
Potter	1 84	9 20	33 40	19 20	6 80	6 80	5 10	2 30	.....	3 45	.....	.....	.....	3 65	77 72	25 30
Rising City	1 86	9 40	38 55	16 72	10 05	10 60	7 95	3 71	2 65	4 77	.....	2 46	8 60	.....	84 72	.....
Nebraska City	5 30	18 55	30 10	25 60	17 20	17 20	12 90	6 02	4 30	7 74	4 30	6 18	.....	.....	150 80	.....
Roca	1 72	1 40	5 90	4 80	2 80	2 80	2 10	98	70	1 26	70	48	.....	.....	27 80	.....

Treasurer's Exhibit for the Synodical Year.—*Concluded.*

	General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	Pastors' Fund.	Nachusa Home.	Deaconess Board.	National Lutheran Home.	Tabitha Home.	Midland Library Endowment.	External Objects.	Totals.	Deficits on Various Objects.
South Auburn					$4 00							$7 77		$7 58	$19 35	$100 16
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Waverly	58	2 90	10 15	8 70	5 80	5 80	4 35	2 03	1 45	2 61	1 45	87	2 90		49 59	
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Wolbach																104 31
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L. P. Ludden		2 00													2 00	
M. F. Troxell		2 00													2 00	
M. Augustine		2 00													2 00	
S. Aughey		2 00	3 00												5 00	
W. F. Eyster		2 00	50	50	50	50	50	50							5 00	
J. G. Groenmiller		2 00													2 00	
W. G. Gettle		2 00													2 00	
S. R. Elson		4 00													4 00	
G. W. Fraser		2 00													2 00	
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Excess												39 57				

The report of the Statistical Secretary was read. (See Parochial Table).

On motion the Statistical Secretary was instructed not to follow plan suggested by the General Statistical Secretary, but to complete his report as in former years.

On motion, Revs. J. F. Krueger and M. Koolen, members of the German Nebraska Synod, were invited to a seat in the synodical body.

On motion, the hour of 2:30 p. m. was set aside to hearing of Tabitha Home.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Rev. John E. Hummon.

Secretary—Rev. Roy M. Badger.

Statistical Secretary—Rev. C. J. Ringer.

Treasurer—Joseph H. Miller, M. D.

Historian—Rev. M. L. Melick.

On motion, vacation was taken until 11:15.

The schedule of special committees was read.

Schedule of Special Committees.

Committee on President's Report—L. M. Kuhns, L. J. Powell, Oscar Woods.

Auditing Committee—H. A. Wolfe, G. W. Snyder, A. Towner.

Committee on North Platte Conference—C. B. Harmon, M. L. Warner, Henry Heiner.

Committee on South Platte Conference—G. W. Snyder, C. J. Callier, M. L. Melick.

Committee on Western Conference—S. H. Yerian, James E. Guiney, E. A. Van Fleet.

Committee on State of Church—F. Bergstresser, C. B. Harman, J. Albright.

Committee on Excuses—L. Groh, Jonas Bender, S. L. Keller.

Committee on Leave of Absence—L. J. Powell, Ernest Mortensen, Henry Keim.

Committee on Letters and Papers—A. E. Deitz, L. Groh, D. H. Shultz.

Committee on Resolutions—B. F. Kistler, L. J. Powell, L. L. Lipe.

Committee on Apportionment—C. R. Lowe, H. Voegtly, L. J. Powell.

Committee on Vacancies—C. J. Ringer, Henry Heiner, J. A. Lowe.

Committee on Calendar—F. R. Shirck, L. P. Ludden, H. C. Bixler.

Committee on Claims—Jos. H. Miller, L. Groh, G. A. Crannell.

Devotional Committee—R. M. Badger, J. A. Lowe, R. A. White.

Assistant Secretary—G. W. Livers.

Committee on Protocol—M. D. Berg, J. L. Hammond, Ole Bogseth.

The hours of Synod were fixed as follows: 9 to 11:30 a. m. and 2 to 5 p. m.

Reporters For Papers.

Lutheran Observer—Rev. G. W. Snyder.
Lutheran World—Rev. J. A. Koser.
Lincoln Papers—Rev. R. A. White.
Omaha Daily News—Rev. A. E. Deitz.
Omaha World—Rev. Fred R. Shirck.
Omaha Bee—Rev. Chas. Lowe.
Beatrice Daily Sun—Rev. L. J. Powell.
Beatrice Express—Rev. Oscar Woods.
Adjourned with prayer.

SECOND SESSION.

THURSDAY, 2 P. M.

Synod opened with prayer.

The minutes of previous session were read and approved.

Rev. F. C. Schuldt, fraternal delegate from the German Nebraska Synod was introduced, and brought greetings from that body. The President responded most cordially.

On motion, the Historian's Report was made a special order after the special period of 2:30.

Report of the Directors of Tabitha Home.

Brethren:

It is regretted that no report of Tabitha Home was made at the last convocation of Synod. Our one hope of ultimate success in the financial struggle at Tabitha is in the sympathy and co-operation of our entire brotherhood of clergymen and laymen. To this end the affairs of the Home must be given all possible publicity.

The wisdom of giving out full information on the financial crisis may be questioned by some who feel that the situation is a delicate one and that if we publish any of the inner facts in regard to the finances of the Home that many will mistrust the institution. It is the opinion of the present Board of Directors that there is more danger in ignorance than in knowledge. It is the belief of the Board that the entire Church should be taken into confidence. If the Church receives information from any other than the official source it must necessarily be second-hand and consequently unreliable.

The present Board of Directors is G. F. F. Mueller, L. Grauenhorst, and J. F. Krueger, of the German Nebraska Synod; R. Neuman and W. Schuelzke, of the Wartburg Synod; R. B. Peery, of the Rocky Mountain Synod; H. L. Yarger and B. R. Lantz, of the Kansas Synod; J. N. Lentz and D. R. Huber, of the Iowa Synod; Fuller Bergstresser and Mr. J. H. Humpe, of the English Nebraska Synod. Rev. Bergstresser is serving under appointment of President Groh, *vice*, C. H. Lewis, resigned. (It may be stated parenthetically that the terms of these latter brethren expire at this time.) The officers of the Board are: J. H. Humpe, President; H. L. Yarger, Vice-President; Fuller Bergstresser, Secretary; J. F. Krueger, Treasurer.

Rev. M. Koolen is the efficient, hard-working, self-sacrificing Superintendent. His faithfulness, tact and fiue judgment is restoring confidence in the Home among the creditors and the public.

The Home is fortunate in having the Christ-like service of Sister Christina, head deaconess, ably assisted by Sisters Ida and Gertrude. If it were not for these noble women the Home would be badly handicapped in its work. It is in place to mention the faithful work of Dr. H. B. Miller, house-physician, in whom the Home has a friend worth while.

At the present time there are 30 aged prsons in the department for the aged, and 18 orphans in the orphanage. The Hospital

cared for more than 70 patients during the year. In its work of mercy the Home is unsurpassed. The fine location and splendid equipment of the Home fit it for a remarkable career of service for God and fellowman.

The Board deplores the fact that the financial status of the Home was not more thoroughly investigated before the church assumed proprietorship in 1906. Instead of a supposed indebtedness of "about ten thousand dollars," accounts to the amount of nineteen thousand dollars have been unearthed. The legacies said to be "sufficient to cover the indebtedness" have failed to materialize, except $3,100.

The equipping of the Home for Hospital work in 1908 was not done wisely, but too well, the cost of the same being $30,000, instead of $6,000, as at first estimated and authorized.

The indebtedness of the Home is $46,930.02.

Over and against this formidable array of figures, which, like Banquo's ghost, will not down, stands the Home itself, as fine a property as one can find anywhere, a commanding building, beautiful for situation, surrounded by fifteen acres of the finest and most valuable Nebraska soil. The whole plant is easily worth $70,000.

This past summer a complete, modern, perfect-working sewerage system has been constructed, displacing the former unsanitary open cesspool. The insurance policies have been renewed for a term of three years. A fine, sleek team with new harness and a large, comfortable phaeton was purchased and is held in trust. A new mower was purchased; a dumb-waiter installed; the out-buildings have been repaired and other minor improvements made. This has been done at a total cost of $900, and paid for.

One of the results of the increased confidence in Superintendent Koolen's administration is the willingness of the merchants to deliver goods to the Home free of charge. This is a saving to the Home of $60 per month in drayage.

The total income of the Home for the year ending April 31st is $16,028.30, and the expenditures $15,487.58. Thus it is seen that the income is now sufficient to meet all current expenses and materially reduce the indebtedness. In fact, $3,159.68 has been paid on old accounts during the year. This does not include interest nor old labor vouchers.

The Home needs the continued fostering care of the Church and of all charitably-disposed persons. The Church must surely understand the value of this Home and its importance in the philanthropic activity of the Church. The orphan, the aged, the sick demand our first care. There are few if any kinds of business where the attend-

ant risks and costs are greater, and probably none in which the Church has so much at stake as the kind of work being done at Tabitha Home. When the Church comes to understand all the conditions which surround this business, and the difficulties that beset it on every hand, at the same time realizing the importance of the work, the Church will not be niggardly but prodigal in its support.

At the present time mechanics' liens to the amount of $10,321.58 seriously hamper the work. These creditors have been patient, but are now reluctantly forced to the necessity of foreclosure unless settlement is made within the life-limit of the liens, which is two years, and which is now expiring. The recent appeal to the Church through the Church papers, and by personal letter from the clergy and many leading laymen has brought in $2,500.

In January, 1911, the Mrs. Brown legacy of $3,100 will be available.

The apportionment of this Synod for the past year was $99.96 and the receipts were $192.61. This is a gratifying response and the Board expresses grateful appreciation.

There are many needs, some of them pressing. A new gas engine is almost imperative. The water system and the fire protection being dependent upon the local plant, it can be seen how necessary it is to have modern and reliable machinery. The steam-heating and power-plant needs overhauling.

But above all the Home needs the continued and increasing sympathy and help of the entire Church, and very appropriately of the Nebraska Synod.

Respectfully submitted, FULLER BERGSTRESSER.
J. H. HUMPE.

Pending the adoption of the report, Rev. Koolen, Superintendent of the Home, and Rev. J. F. Krueger, Treasurer of the Board, were heard. General discussion by the members of Synod.

Report adopted.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, We have heard with regret of the financial embarrassment of Tabitha Home; therefore,

Resolved, That we heartily co-operate with our Superintendent in his endeavors to meet the present pressing claims, leaving the plan to the judgment of the present management of the Home and the pastors; and that the second Sunday in October be made a special day for an appeal for Tabitha.

Historian's Report.

Your Historian submits the following report in conformity with the request of Synod a year ago. Your Historian has written the histories of the respective congregations and has them in typewritten form with him at this meeting of Synod for review by the respective pastors and lay delegates. The older and larger organizations have been written up in full except a few and several later organizations from whom the Historian has not been able to get the necessary data to complete their respective histories. Moreover the individuals appointed a year ago to write up the histories of organizations and institutions in connection with the Synod have not all completed their work.

The work so far has been at a great expense of time and labor to the Historian and to some considerable expense to the Synod. We are anxious to hear from the last one soon and complete the work. The expenses of the year were, and bill of same is herewith submitted:

For stenographic work, including rent of typewriter.....	$24 00
Stationery	3 75
Postage	4 24
Two letter-files	1 10
	$33 09

Recommendations: 1. That the individuals appointed last year to write up Midland College, the Western Theological Seminary, the Young People's Societies, and the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society be continued and asked to do their work at once. 2. That a publishing committee be appointed who shall take the histories as prepared by the Historian and reviewed by the Editing Committee and have the same published in book form and put the same on the market, procuring all sales possible.

Respectfully submitted, M. L. MELICK, *Historian.*

On motion, item 2 was amended as follows: That the Publication Committee act as a Finance Committee to secure advanced sales of the work, and to hold over for one year the publication of the History or until such sales will cover the expense of publication.

Adopted *seriatim* and as a whole.

Adjourned with prayer.

EVENING SERVICE.

THURSDAY, 8 O'CLOCK.

An address on Catechisation was given by Rev. M. D. Berg.

THIRD SESSION.

FRIDAY, 9 A. M.

After a thirty minutes' devotional service, led by Rev. G. W. Snyder, Synod was called to order by the President, and prayer was offered.

Roll call. Minutes of previous session were then read and approved.

Moved and carried that proposed amendment to Constitution of Art. 3, Sec. 1, be referred to a Committee of three, appointed by the Chair, who shall formulate a specific article for a licensure system in Synod. This system is to be under synodical control, after having received theological training, and only under extreme cases shall the President grant *ad interim* licenses.

On motion, 3 p. m. was set aside to hear Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., the representative of the Board of Education and Midland College.

The report of Committee on Letters and Papers was read, and on motion was considered *seriatim*.

Report of Committee on Letters and Papers.

Your committee has two matters to present:

1. A communication from the Rising City church. This is a petition to Synod to dissolve the Rising City-Surprise pastorate, leaving each congregation free to pursue its work independently of the other. Your committee recommends that this petition be laid on the table until the next convention of Synod and that the President of Synod be authorized to visit the field in the near future and meet the joint council of the two churches to determine if some satisfactory agreement cannot be made by which the present relation may be continued.

2. A communication from Rev. S. R. Elson. This is a request

from Rev. Elson that his ministerial relation to this body be terminated and his name be dropped from the roll.

Your committee recommends that the communication from Rev. Elson be read to the Synod, that his request for the termination of his relation to this body be granted, and his name be dropped from the roll, and that his communication be placed on file in the archives.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. DEITZ,
L. GROH,
D. H. SHULTZ.

For amendment see Protocol.

Secretary was instructed to notify Bro. Elson of their action.

Report adopted as amended.

On motion, Rev. W. T. Kahse, Field Secretary of Midland College, was invited to a seat in the body.

Moved and carried that the candidate for ordination be examined by the Examining Committee, and that they report on his merits.

On motion, the period after the hearing of Dr. Troxell was set aside to hear from the representative of the Board of Foreign Missions, Rev. E. E. Neibel.

The Advisory Board of Home Missions was given the floor, and the report considered *seriatim*.

Report of Advisory Board of Home Missions.

South Omaha: Rev. S. H. Yerian took charge of this mission in June, Rev. R. W. Livers having resigned April 1st. A very serious financial condition faces this congregation. The church building is not completed far enough for use and there are now liens amounting to $4,500 against the property. An amount of $2,000 is positively needed from the Board of Church Extension and other sources before a loan can be secured locally. Unless this is raised within a very short time we fear that the creditors will force a sale of the property. We believe that this is too important a field not to make the most strenuous effort to hold. We believe Brother Yerian is the right man for the place and is willing to stand by the work as long as there is any hope for its maintenance. We recommend that Synod take action in conjunction with the proper church boards to raise the $2,000 as above indicated, provided the congregation raises an equal amount.

Wolbach and Erickson: Rev. Henry Voegtly and wife arrived on the field August 27th. They were kindly received and feel that the conditions are favorable for the steady and substantial growth of the work.

Benson: Rev. B. F. Kistler, missionary. During the year the inside work of the church building has been practically completed and the church was dedicated December 19, 1910. The church is unpainted and the tower unfinished, but a fund for this purpose is being raised, and the work will be done in the near future. The pastor was granted a vacation in February and March and spent this time in the hospital and in recuperating. The main obstacle to the progress of the work during the year has been in the disagreement of the young people, but the present outlook is for a more harmonious condition and a successful year.

Potter: This charge has been vacant since last October. Rev. John Sorenson has been called but has not yet formally accepted the call to this charge. With a pastor on the field the outlook is bright for a steady and continued growth. A debt of $600 has been cancelled during the year and a heating plant and other improvements have been added by the Ladies' Society.

Bruning: Rev. H. C. Bixler reports an increase in membership of 31 and a Sunday school of 125 enrollment. The Ladies' Aid Society is doing efficient service and the members working together in harmony. This young child of the Church is having a rapid and steady growth.

York: A church was bought from the United Brethren denomination, remodeled and dedicated September 11th. The entire valuation of the church property including parsonage is $5,000, with an interest-bearing debt of $1,000. Eleven members were received during the year. The pastor is working with the same degree of vigor as has characterized his efforts in the past. The outlook is bright.

Wilber: Wilber has paid the full amount of its apportionment for the year just ended. Most of the members are loyal and faithful to the work. The town is largely of agnostic tendency and this forms the discouraging feature of our work at this point.

Oshkosh and Lewellyn: C. J. Callier took charge June 16th. This charge has never adopted our Lutheran literature in its Sunday schools and an effort is being made by the pastor to introduce it. As there are many people of other denominations who assist in supporting this work, this has been a delicate matter to arrange. Otherwise the outlook is favorable for the enlargement of the work.

Sidney: This charge was formerly on the Home Mission Board, but it is thought that with the calling of a new pastor, which seems

to be in prospect in the near future, this point may be self-sustaining.

Grace Church, Omaha: Rev. M. L. Melick, pastor. This charge reports a reduction of $50.00 asked from the Board. Eighteen members were added to the church and improvements amounting to $200 made during the year. The work has a steady and continuous growth.

South Sioux and Hubbard: Floyd Blessing, a student at the Western Theological Seminary, supplied during the summer months. He reports that a pastor is badly needed. With a regular man on the field the outlook for the future is very encouraging.

Sutherland and Paxton: Rev. M. E. Bollinger took charge of this work in June. The news has just reached us that on account of serious illness he will not be able to be present at this meeting of Synod. He has the work well in hand and is well supported in it by his members.

Trinity Lutheran Church, Omaha: Rev. G. W. Snyder began work in this field April 1st. The work has been carried on under the auspices of the Kountze Memorial church as a Sunday school for about two years. Bro. Snyder is enthusiastic as to the outlook. He asks for a fund of $300 from the Synod to carry him through until April 1, 1911. We recommend that this be granted.

Beemer: Rev. L. J. Powell reports some excellent material in this charge. He is willing to take care of this field for a time providing Synod will provide a small fund, not to exceed $25, for any additional expenses entailed in getting to and from the place. We ask that this be done.

Havelock: Rev. Henry Heiner has served this congregation since last September. He has gathered together 22 families, in all about 60 souls. Services are in German, with one service a month in English. The work has been started on a substantial basis and is progressing nicely.

Pawnee: This charge has no pastor and there are apparently no prospects of securing one. We hold in our hands a communication from the officers of this congregation asking that this organization be dissolved and the property be turned over to the Board of Church Extension. We recommend that this be done and that the proceeds be divided between the Board of Home Missions and themselves.

Respectfully submitted,

L. GROH,
B. F. KISTLER,
J. A. LOWE,
J. E. HUMMON.

Under the item on South Omaha, an amendment was adopted, that the Executive Council of the Synod execute a loan sufficient to meet the request for a $1000 donation from the Synod.

Under the item on Sutherland and Paxton, prayer was offered by Rev. L. L. Lipe on behalf of Rev. Bollinger, as a token of the sympathy of Synod.

Adjourned with prayer.

FOURTH SESSION.

FRIDAY, 2 P. M.

Session opened with prayer.

Minutes read and approved.

Report of Advisory Board of Home Missions was resumed.

Under the item on Havelock, it was moved that the item be referred to a special committee appointed by the President. Carried.

Under the item on Pawnee, the following substitute motion was carried: We recommend that this field be not abandoned but encouraged, and in view of its good past history and the good people and property there now belonging to our household of faith, we urge the people to continue steadfast and loyal, and we also request the Board of Home Missions to send their Western Secretary, Rev. Dr. Ludden, there for October 9th, with a view to placing a pastor permanently at this important point.

Report adopted as a whole.

Dr. Troxell was then heard on behalf of the Board of Education and the interests of Midland College.

The report of the trustees of Midland College was then given.

Report of the Board of Trustees of Midland College.

Since the meeting of our Synod a year ago two special meetings of the Board of Trustees have been held besides the annual meeting in June. The special meetings were called to consider the merger of the Western Theological Seminary with Midland College as desired by the Board of Education and authorized by the General Synod at Richmond, and also to consider the revision of the constitution in case of the consummation of the merger, that the Board of Trustees should be in legal control of the institution through members who are in full membership with churches of our General Synod. The special meetings resulted in the selection of a committee of direction who in counsel with the Board of Education took the necessary steps to complete the union of the two institutions under one local Board, at the annual meeting in June.

At the regular meeting of the Board in June, the Rev. Dr. F. G. Gotwald, General Secretary of the Board of Education, was present with an agreement duly signed by the officers of his Board which was accepted by the Board of Trustees of Midland College, whereby the Western Theological Seminary shall hereafter be a department of Midland College. At this meeting amendments were adopted whereby the Seminary and the College became one institution for the continuance of the important work of College and Seminary instruction on our territory.

The amended constitution gives our Nebraska Synod a membership of six Trustees in the Board, three of whom shall be pastors and three laymen. At the present time the members of our Synod whose terms expire in 1911 are Rev. J. A. Lowe and Rev. R. M. Badger, and those whose terms expire in 1912 are Rev. G. W. Livers and Mr. W. H. Hogrefe, and also this year the term of Rev. J. E. Hummon expires. It will be necessary to meet the requirements of the amended constitution to elect two laymen at this meeting of Synod whose terms shall expire in 1913. Local members of the Board of Trustees in the city of Atchison were elected as follows: Revs. A. E. Renn, H. L. Yarger, and Messrs. J. W. Walker, B. D. Zimmerman. As officers of the Board, Rev. E. E. Stauffer was made president; Rev. A. E. Renn, vice-president; LeRoy Kelsey, secretary, and C. T. Rattermann, treasurer. Changes in the personnel of the Faculty made necessary during the year will be reported by the president on the floor of Synod. One important step forward was taken by the Trustees in the creation of the office of Field Secretary and accordingly, to fill the position, Rev. W. T. Kahse was chosen and has assumed his position in the work.

The Faculty reported a slight decrease in the attendance of the College which was thought to be merely incidental and caused

largely by external conditions beyond the control of the faculty themselves.

A fine class of eight young people received the college degrees and the academy graduated a sterling class of nineteen young people.

There were also six graduates from the music department, making a total of 33 graduates from all departments. The new Normal course for the preparation of teachers was successfully conducted last year, and three graduates secured state certificates from the Kansas Board of Education. The Trustees authorized appropriation for laboratory equipment and new books for library and reading room, also that the sum of two thousand dollars be raised from our territory as a special improvement fund to cover the cost of street paving, along the north line of the College campus, and the introduction of city water for toilet and bath improvements in the College buildings. The Executive Committee was authorized to raise this fund by assigning a per capita apportionment on our congregations amounting to twelve cents per confirmed member.

The library endowment fund was reported in such shape as to have secured the consent of Mr. Carnegie to go ahead with the building; consequently the Executive Committee was authorized to act as a building committee. A location on the campus for the building was endorsed and plans for the erection of the same were adopted. Since the meeting of the Trustees we are glad to say that the contract for the construction of the library building has been let, ground has been broken, and work on the foundation is now rapidly proceeding. This building will also include the Griffith Memorial Assembly Hall, made possible by the bequest of $5,000 from the Rev. J. G. Griffith, D. D., formerly a member of our Synod.

It is fitting to note in this report the death of Hon. A. J. Harwi, former President of the Board of Trustees and a member of the Board in the entire history of the College. Mr. Harwi left a bequest of $15,000 for the purpose of endowing the A. J. Harwi chair in English.

This bequest, with the Library Endowment, will bring the permanent endowment of the College up to about $65,000, and including the Seminary endowment to about $80,000. An effort has been endorsed by the Trustees to bring the endowment of the institution to at least $100,000, when the institution becomes twenty-five years old, which will be in September, 1912.

Notice was given at the annual meeting of the Board of an amendment to Sec. 4 of the Constitution of the College to the effect that "No professor or instructor in the College or Seminary shall be eligible to membership on the Board of Trustees."

The Board of Trustees have every reason to believe that there is a great future for our Western Institution, both the College and the Theological department of the College; and we desire therefore to present to this Synod the following resolution for endorsement:

WHEREAS, The Western Theological Seminary and Midland College have, in accordance with the request of the Board of Education and the authority of the General Synod, been united under the Board of Trustees, a majority of whom are elected by the district Synod of our territory; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we take the occasion of this action to emphasize anew the need of the training of young men for the ministry on our territory here in the central west and urge upon our pastors, churches and homes the great importance of directing our youth to this highest of callings for human service, and see to it that no backward steps are taken with regard to this school of the prophets, an added department of Midland College.

Resolved, That we urge upon our pastors and congregations the necessity of raising at the earliest date possible the amount of the improvement fund apportioned for the special taxes imposed by the city of Atchison for paving, etc., in aid of our property, in order to save the high rate of interest in case the payment must be deferred.

Resolved, That we again urge the necessity of the speedy raising of the balance of the Library Endowment note of $1,500, given by the Synod, in order that the note may be cancelled. We recommend that the Treasurer of Synod be instructed to borrow this amount in order that the obligation due on account of the Mr. Carnegie gift of the building may be fulfilled.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. HUMMON,
J. A .LOWE,
W. H. HOGREFE,
R. M. BADGER,
G. W. LIVERS.

Pending the vote, Rev. W. T. Kahse, Field Secretary, was heard.

Report adopted as a whole.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Theological Department of Midland College is on the territory of the Nebraska Synod;

Resolved, That for the purpose of creating a more intimate relationship we, as a Synod, request the representatives of this Synod on the Board of that institution to invite the newly-elected Pro-

fessor of Theology in the Theological Department of Midland College to become a member of this Synod.

Moved and carried that Rev. E. E. Neibel be heard on Saturday night as the second speaker of the evening.

Rev. E. E. Neibel was then given the floor as the representative of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Report of the committee on President's Report was read and considered *seriatim*.

Report of Committee on President's Report.

Your committee, to whom was referred the report of the President, offer the following:

1. *Resolved*, That Synod has learned with profound sorrow of the bereavement of our esteemed colleague, Rev. J. G. Groenmiller, D. D., in the death of his life companion, his beloved wife; and,

Resolved, That Synod unite with the President in expressing the heartfelt sympathy to our brother Groenmiller, and commend him to our Heavenly Father; that in token of our condolence Synod now unite in prayer led by Dr. Groh.

2. In accordance with the ruling of the Chair, we recommend that the brethren received at this Convention of Synod be requested to come forward and subscribe to the Constitution of Synod.

3. We approve the official acts of the President.

4. That Synod approve the bill of expense submitted by the President, and that an order be drawn on the Treasurer of Synod for $6.25 in favor of Dr. Groh.

5. That we return our sincere thanks to our retiring President for his faithful and devoted efforts to promote the interest and welfare of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

LUTHER M. KUHNS,
L. J. POWELL,
OSCAR WOODS.

Under item 1, prayer was offered by Dr. Groh.

Report was then adopted as a whole.

The President appointed as the special committee on the reception of Havelock, Revs. Harmon, Klatt and Shirck; also as the committee to revise item of the Constitution, Revs. Troxell, Koser and Yerian.

Adjourned with prayer.

EVENING SERVICE.

FRIDAY, 8 O'CLOCK.

The Golden Jubilee (two years late) of the planting of Lutheranism in the State of Nebraska was celebrated at this service. The addresses of the evening were given by Rev. L. M. Kuhns on Pioneer Works, Rev. M. L. Melick on the Progress and Rev. R. A. White on the Future of Lutheranism in the Nebraska Synod. A rising expression of appreciation of the presence of the Rev. Dr. J. F. Kuhlman, the first President of the Nebraska Synod, was given at this meeting. A vote was also taken that this convention send tokens of appreciation to the surviving pioneers of missionary work in the Nebraska Synod. During the service a telegram was received from the brothers of Rev. L. M. Kuhns uniting with him in congratulations to the Synod and praise to God for the work accomplished by the Church through the seeds planted by their father a half century before.

FIFTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, 9 A. M.

After a half-hour's devotional service by Rev. W. T. Kahse, Synod was declared ready for business.

Roll Call. Minutes read and approved.

Rev. Holmes Dysinger, D. D., was welcomed to a seat in the body.

Motion was carried that Dr. Ludden be heard directly after the hearing of the Apportionment Committee.

The report of the Apportionment Committee was submitted.

Report of Committee on Apportionment.

	Number of Members.	General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Synodical Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	Deaconess Board.	Home for Aged.	Tabitha Home.	Midland Library Endowment.	Totals.
Per Member	....	$0 02	$0 29	$0 35	$0 30	$0 20	$0 20	$0 20	$0 07	$0 05	$0 09	$0 05	$0 03	$0 10	$1 95
Auburn	55	1 10	15 95	19 25	16 50	11 00	11 00	11 00	3 85	2 75	4 95	2 75	1 65	5 50	107 25
Beatrice	174	3 48	50 46	60 90	52 20	34 80	34 80	34 80	12 18	8 70	15 66	8 70	5 22	17 40	339 30
Benedict, Bethel	23	46	6 67	8 05	6 90	4 60	4 60	4 60	1 61	1 15	2 07	1 15	69	2 30	44 85
Benedict, Zion	66	1 32	19 14	23 10	19 80	13 20	13 20	13 20	4 62	3 30	5 94	3 30	1 98	6 60	128 70
Benson	76	1 52	22 04	26 60	22 80	15 20	15 20	15 20	5 32	3 80	6 84	3 80	2 28	7 60	148 20
Bruning	65	1 30	18 85	22 75	19 50	13 00	13 00	13 00	4 55	3 25	5 85	3 25	1 95	6 50	126 75
Davenport	82	1 64	23 78	28 70	24 60	16 40	16 40	16 40	5 74	4 10	7 38	4 10	2 46	8 20	159 90
Dakota, Emanuel	20	40	5 80	7 00	6 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	1 40	1 00	1 80	1 00	60	2 00	39 00
Dakota, Salem	83	1 66	24 07	29 05	24 90	16 60	16 60	16 60	5 81	4 15	7 47	4 15	2 49	8 30	161 85
Erickson	16	32	4 64	5 60	4 80	3 20	3 20	3 20	1 12	80	1 44	80	48	1 60	31 20
Grand Island	160	3 20	46 40	56 00	48 00	32 00	32 00	32 00	11 20	8 00	14 40	8 00	4 80	16 00	312 00
Hardy, St. Paul	81	1 62	23 49	28 35	24 30	16 20	16 20	16 20	5 67	4 05	7 29	4 05	2 43	8 10	157 95
Hardy, Jewell	21	42	6 09	7 35	6 30	4 20	4 20	4 20	1 47	1 05	1 89	1 05	63	2 10	40 95
Homer, St. Paul	31	62	8 99	10 85	9 30	6 20	6 20	6 20	2 17	1 55	2 79	1 55	93	3 10	60 45
Hubbard, Trinity	24	48	6 96	8 40	7 20	4 80	4 80	4 80	1 68	1 20	2 16	1 20	72	2 40	46 80
South Sioux	18	36	5 22	6 30	5 40	3 60	3 60	3 60	1 26	90	1 62	90	54	1 80	35 10
Lincoln, Grace	163	3 26	47 27	57 05	48 90	32 60	32 60	32 60	11 41	8 15	14 67	8 15	4 89	16 30	317 85
McCool	45	90	13 05	15 75	13 50	9 00	9 00	9 00	3 15	2 25	4 05	2 25	1 35	4 50	87 75
North Platte	170	3 40	49 30	59 50	51 00	34 00	34 00	34 00	11 90	8 50	15 30	8 50	5 10	17 00	331 50
Nebraska City	90	1 80	26 10	31 50	27 00	18 00	18 00	18 00	6 30	4 50	8 10	4 50	2 70	9 00	175 50
Omaha, Kountze	485	9 70	140 65	169 75	145 50	97 00	97 00	97 00	33 95	24 25	43 65	24 25	14 55	48 50	945 75

Omaha, St. Mark's	130	2	60	37	70	45	50	39	00	26	00	26	00	26	00	9	10	6	50	11	70	6	50	3	90	13	00	253	50
Omaha, Grace	121	2	42	35	09	42	35	36	30	24	20	24	20	24	20	8	47	6	05	10	89	6	05	3	63	12	10	235	95
Omaha, Trinity	....	....	.	.....		.....		.....		.....		.....		.....		.....		.....		.....		.....		.....		.....		.....	
Oshkosh	29		58	8	41	10	15	8	70	5	80	5	80	5	80	2	03	1	45	2	61	1	45		87	2	90	56	55
Lewellen	38		76	11	02	13	30	11	40	7	60	7	60	7	60	2	66	1	90	3	42	1	90	1	14	3	80	74	10
Ponca	80	1	60	23	20	28	00	24	00	16	00	16	00	16	00	5	60	4	00	7	20	4	00	2	40	8	00	156	00
Pawnee, First	20		40	5	80	7	00	6	00	4	00	4	00	4	00	1	40	1	00	1	80	1	00		60	2	00	39	00
Pawnee, Zion	7		14	2	03	2	45	2	10	1	40	1	40	1	40		49		35		63		35		21		70	13	65
Potter	40		80	11	60	14	00	12	00	8	00	8	00	8	00	2	80	2	00	3	60	2	00	1	20	4	00	78	00
Rising City	93	1	06	15	37	18	55	15	90	10	60	10	60	10	60	3	71	2	65	4	77	2	65	1	59	5	30	103	35
Surprise	17		34	4	93	5	95	5	10	3	40	3	40	3	40	1	19		85	1	53		85		51	1	70	33	15
Roca	14		28	4	06	4	90	4	20	2	80	2	80	2	80		98		70	1	26		70		42	1	40	27	30
South Omaha	70	1	40	20	30	24	50	21	00	14	00	14	00	14	00	4	90	3	50	6	30	3	50	2	10	7	00	136	50
Stella	65	1	30	18	85	22	75	19	50	13	00	13	00	13	00	4	55	3	25	5	85	3	25	1	95	6	50	126	75
Sutherland	25		50	7	25	8	75	7	50	5	00	5	00	5	00	1	75	1	25	2	25	1	25		75	2	50	48	75
Paxton	50	1	00	14	50	17	50	15	00	10	00	10	00	10	00	3	50	2	50	4	50	2	50	1	50	5	00	97	50
Stamford	64	1	28	18	56	22	40	19	20	12	80	12	80	12	80	4	48	3	20	5	76	3	20	1	92	6	40	124	80
Hendley	12		24	3	48	4	20	3	60	2	40	2	40	2	40		84		60	1	08		60		36	1	20	23	40
Orleans	8		16	2	32	2	80	2	40	1	60	1	60	1	60		56		40		72		40		24		80	15	60
Sidney	50	1	00	14	50	17	50	15	00	10	00	10	00	10	00	3	50	2	50	4	50	2	50	1	50	5	00	97	50
Tekamah, Immanuel	27		54	7	83	9	45	8	10	5	40	5	40	5	40	1	89	1	35	2	43	1	35		81	2	70	52	65
Tekamah, Grace	14		28	4	06	4	90	4	20	2	80	2	80	2	80		98		70	1	26		70		42	1	40	41	80
West Point	190	3	80	55	10	66	50	57	00	38	00	38	00	38	00	13	30	9	50	17	10	9	50	5	70	19	00	370	50
Wayne	80	1	60	23	20	28	00	24	00	16	00	16	00	16	00	5	60	4	00	7	20	4	00	2	40	8	00	156	00
Wilber	44		88	12	76	15	40	13	20	8	80	8	80	8	80	3	08	2	20	3	96	2	20	1	32	4	40	85	80
Wolbach	40		80	11	60	14	00	12	00	8	00	8	00	8	00	2	80	2	00	3	60	2	00	1	20	4	00	78	00
Yutan	14		28	4	06	4	90	4	20	2	80	2	80	2	80		98		70	1	26		70		42	1	40	27	30
Waverly	26		52	7	54	9	10	7	80	5	20	5	20	5	20	1	82	1	30	2	34	1	30		78	2	60	50	70
York	40		80	11	60	14	00	12	00	8	00	8	00	8	00	2	80	2	00	3	60	2	00	1	20	4	00	78	00
Havelock	64	1	28	18	56	22	40	19	20	12	80	12	80	12	80	4	48	3	20	5	76	3	20	1	92	6	40	124	80
Totals	3380	$67	60	980	20	1183	00	1014	00	676	00	676	00	676	00	236	60	169	00	304	20	169	00	101	40	338	00	6591	00

C. R. LOWE, L. J. POWELL, HENRY VOEGTLY, *Committee.*

Report of Committee on Traveling Secretary.

The committee respectfully reports the following:

On April 9, 1910, the committee as elected one year ago met in the Y. M. C. A. building of Omaha, and organized by electing J. F. Wilhelmy president, M. L. Melick secretary, M. W. Swain treasurer. The following committees were appointed: On renting and repairing the property, paying of taxes and renewing insurance, M. W. Swain and J. F. Smith; committee to examine title of the property and find out the power of this committee and Synod to sell this property, J. F. Wilhelmy. The committee also passed a motion to use the money then in the treasury of the committee, with what rent would fall due up to September 1, 1910, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to make all the needed repairs on the building, including a new furnace and the paying of taxes.

At this time a request came to this committee from the Advisory Board of Home Missions asking for $50 per month for two months to be paid to Rev. G. W. Snyder for missionary work in Omaha. In reply to this request the committee paid the $100 asked for to Rev. Snyder for missionary services in Omaha during the months of April and May, 1910, out of the rental money in the Treasury of Synod and in trust for the same.

Your committee would further report that after examining the records regarding the title to the Traveling Secretary headquarters and House in Omaha, we find that the deed given by Augustus and Herman Kountze to the Board of Church Extension of the General Synod, to be held in trust for the district Synod of Nebraska, to be on the following conditions:

That the property be used for the headquarters and residence of the Traveling Secretary of the District Synod of Nebraska in connection with the General Synod.

If a division of Synod is made on languages the property is to belong to the Synod in which Omaha is situated and whose official language is the English, and to be used only for the purposes specified above or for the use of the Traveling Secretary as its headquarters and residence.

The deed further provides that if at the expiration of 25 years it is deemed advisable to change the locality, the property may be sold and the proceeds re-invested in another locality in Omaha to be used for the same purpose.

If the necessity of a Traveling Secretary has then ceased, the property may be sold and the funds placed in the hands of the Board of Church Extension of the General Synod to be invested by the Board for Church Extension work in Omaha, and to be under the control of the Church Extension Board perpetually.

A further condition is that if there is any violation of the above conditions by the holders of the property a damage claim shall rest against the property which is put in the nature of a vendors' lien.

This deed was signed June 30, 1890, but it seems that the actual sale was made September 14, 1889, and no doubt the 25-year limit would date from this day.

In the light of this knowledge of the conditions of the deed, it is our judgment that none of the rental money can be used for any purpose other than the salary of a future secretary, if there be any, and for the keeping of the property in repairs.

Your committee would therefore recommend that for the present we keep the property in good repair and retain the balance of the money in the treasury for future use, according to the terms of the deed, but if the Synod sees fit to place a secretary in the field, that they assume the responsibility for his salary and expenses. This is in conformity to the instructions given your committee one year ago.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. WILHELMY,
M. L. MELICK,
L. GROH,
J. F. SMITH,
M. W. SWAIN.

Report of Treasurer of Traveling Secretary Committee for the year ending September 1, 1910.

RECEIPTS.

September 1, 1909, balance on hand	$207 90
September 1, 1910, rent of house for one year	240 00
Total	$447 90

DISBURSED.

City taxes	$34 45
County taxes	13 20
A. C. Lessard, carpenter repairs	27 80
A. Bloan, 87 feet lattice work	30 00
Paving taxes and parking	18 50
Painting and fitting lattice	7 00
Omaha Plumbing Co., repairs	4 95
Balance on hand	312 00
Total	$447 90

I have let contract to paint house outside for	$141 50
New furnace will cost about	110 00
Repairing, guttering and spouting, about	18 50
To renew insurance, $3,000 for three years, which expires October 1, 1910	24 00
	$294 00

Respectfully submitted, M. L. SWAIN.

On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion, the Synodical Treasury was advanced to twenty-five cents per member.

Report of Committee on Beneficiary Education.

Your committee respectfully report the following:

Pursuant to the action of your Board last year, four young men have received aid and pursued their studies at Midland College and the Western Theological Seminary in Atchison, Kansas:

1. Mr. Fred White, who was granted $150.00 to take the junior year in the Seminary and to make up a deficiency in the College, received $125.00 of the amount granted. He did fairly good work in the Seminary until May 5th, when he went from the Seminary to Greenleaf, Kansas, as a supply to the church in that place. The church has more recently called him to remain as its pastor. He does not ask for further aid from this Synod, but desires to be licensed or ordained by the Kansas Synod and to remain at Greenleaf as their pastor.

2. Mr. Floyd Blessing graduated from the College last June with an average of 93 per cent. for the Senior year. He asks aid to pursue his studies in the Western Theological Seminary the coming year.

Mr. Martin Mortensen received $125.00 and did the work of the Sophomore year with an average of 91½ per cent. He asks aid for the coming year.

Mr. Ralph R. Wiesmiller received $125.00 and did the work of the Junior year of Midland College with an average grade of 94 per cent. He asks aid for the coming year.

Mr. John Hershey received aid from this Synod a few years ago in the Preparatory Department of Midland College. He has continued his studies in Midland without aid and has entered the Junior year. He asks aid for the coming year. His application is highly endorsed by Pres. M. F. Troxell and Prof. Geo. N. Mendenhall, of Midland College.

Your committee recommed that, inasmuch as the funds of this

Synod are deficient, the sum of $100 be granted to each of these four young men for the coming year, and that the apportionment be increased from 15 cents to 20 cents per member.

3. Your committee has received correspondence from the Secretary of the Board of Education touching the action of the General Synod on the centralization of all the beneficiary work of the General Synod into the hands of the Board of Education. Your committee recommends that the Secretary's letter be read before the Synod, and further resolve that we deem it inexpedient to make any change in the management of our beneficiary work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. LOWE,
GEO. N. MENDENHALL,
JOS. H. MILLER,
J. E. HUMMON.

Under item 2, the recommendation was that we increase the amount $100 to $125. Adopted.

Adopted as a whole.

Report of Examining Committee.

Your committee have examined brother Charles Joseph Ca'lier and found his answers very satisfactory, and hereby recommend him for ordination.

Respectfully submitted,

L. GROH,
J. L. HAMMOND,
R. A. WHITE,
J. A. LOWE,
C. J. RINGER.

Adopted.

Moved and carried that the officers of Synod ordain Rev. Callier at Sunday evening service.

Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D., was then heard on behalf of the Board of Home Missions.

On motion, the Synodical Treasury was raised 4 cents more.

Report of the Special Committee on Protocol.

Your committee has examined the Minutes of the Thirty-seventh Annual Convention of the Nebraska Synod as transcribed in the protocol and compared them with the manuscripts made by the Secretary of the Synod and would report that the work has been done carefully and correctly.

Respectfully submitted,

M. D. BERG,
J. L. HAMMOND.

Adopted.

Delegates to General Synod.

CLERICAL DELEGATES.

Primarii.	*Secundi.*
Rev. L. J. Powell,	Rev. L. L. Lipe,
Rev. C. J. Ringer,	Rev. B. F. Kistler,
Rev. L. Groh, D. D.,	Rev. J. A. Koser,
Rev. H. A. Wolfe,	Rev. J. E. Hummon,
Rev. F. R. Shirck.	Rev. C. R. Lowe.

LAY DELEGATES.

Primarii—E. A. Van Fleet, M. D., Omaha, Neb.; J. H. Miller, M. D., Surprise, Neb.; B. Mellett, Auburn, Neb.; W. H. Hogrefe, Stella, Neb.; L. J. Saylor, Rising City, Neb.

Secundi—E. J. Walt, Lincoln, Neb.; J. Albright, Beatrice, Neb.; A. L. Krause, West Point, Neb.; H. B. Noelting, Nebraska City, Neb.; Andrew Andersen, Beatrice, Neb.

Local churches were supplied for Sunday services by a Committee appointed for that purpose.

Report of the Trustees of Nachusa Home.

Your Trustees for Nachusa Home would report that since the last session of Synod the work has gone forward nicely at Nachusa. It is not necessary to cumber up our Minutes with a long, detailed report. The board still pursue their same policy—keep out of debt; pay as you go. The Home is full to overflowing. Many cases still waiting: knocking, pleading for us to take in and home some of the little ones out in the world and homeless. The Board at a late meeting let the contract for the enlarging of the Home and the work is now under way. One-half of the money was in the hands of the Treasurer before the contract was signed; a goodly number of conditional pledges were in the hands of the superintendent. These pledges are now being paid and we still hope that when the work is completed we will be able to pay cash for the entire work without borrowing a dollar. Superintendent Wirick and his noble wife are proving themselves to be the right persons in the right place. Month after month, aside from the payroll, the institution supports itself. With the new addition completed we will be able to care for sixty children. That will mean increase in cost of living expenses as well as increase in the monthly payroll; that will mean increased giving on the part of our people.

We still carry out the work of placing children in good homes. A number of children have thus been provided for without even coming to our home. We cannot give you the exact number of children in the Home, for it varies every week. It runs from 20 to 26. We report from this Synod some splendid boxes. They have been of great help in feeding and clothing the large family. There have been some gifts of money. For all these things, on behalf of the Board and the helped ones, we want to thank you; and through you the people who made the gifts possible. Brethren, let the gifts continue through another year; let the prayers and sympathy still continue and God will abundantly continue to bless the work so well begun.

The time of the Rev. J. E. Hummon as trustee expires at this meeting of Synod.

Respectfully submitted, LUTHER P. LUDDEN,
J. E. HUMMON.

Adopted.

Special Committee on the Revision of the Constitution.

Mr. President:

Your committee appointed to revise the proposed amendment to the Constitution of Synod as to who shall be its members, suggest that the following be the exact wording of the same:

Art. III, Section 1, "This Synod shall consist of all the ordained ministers and licentiates whose licenses have been granted by the Synod in session, on the examination and recommendation of the Examining Committee, and also shall be in conformity with chapter 10 of the Formula of Government and Discipline of the General Synod."

The second amendment may stand as indicated on p. 46 of Minutes of Synod of 1909 as follows:

"They shall examine all candidates for ordination and licensure," etc.

Respectfully submitted, M. F. TROXELL,
J. A. KOSER,
S. H. YERIAN.

Report adopted.

Report of the Committee on State of Church.

Is the fact that only sixteen pastors have submitted reports on the State of Religion any proof why "religion" is having a hard time in the Nebraska Synod? It has often been suggested that these reports be discontinued or be made a matter of Constitutional requirement, as well as of conscience.

From the few reports submitted the committee culls the following facts:

The prayer-meeting is a flickering torch, going out presently. A non-prayer-meeting-going constituency is a heart-ache for any pastor. Once it was thought that the prayer-meeting was the spiritual thermometer of the Church, and as its devotion went up or down so the Church would go. But the Church thrives in spite of the decadence of this time-honored mid-week prayer hour. It is a choice blessing one can ill afford to lose. It is a strong saving factor needed to counteract the prevailing religious depression so generally lamented in the reports. When Nebraska Lutherans more intimately relate themselves to the prayer-meeting the Church will not languish but flourish.

The Lord's Supper is the one most honored and observed of our institutions. To this saving, life-giving sacrament our Church is securely anchored.

Infant baptism languishes. The decline of this rite is one of the sorrowful features of work in the western English Synods. Yet one pastor says, "I know of no child born in the Church which has not been baptized." This is a rare exception. May his tribe increase.

Catechisation is receiving increasing attention. This is one of our land-marks which we must not permit time nor disuse to efface. This is the strong point in our Church life and work. We must magnify our opportunity in this line of Church activity.

The Sunday school is growing in numbers and efficiency. Dignified, orderly Lutheran methods and literature are winning out as over against the fuss, feathers and froth resorted to by some so-called up-to-date Sunday school workers. Our men deprecate the catch-penny schemes to get the boys and girls. It is a sin and a shame to exploit this virgin field as many adventurers are doing. Our men refuse to be impressionable and choose the Augsburg way to the building-up and establishment of character.

Missionary activity is nothing startling, if we are to believe the reports. Many churches have dull ears for the "marching orders" of the Master. The recent Laymen's Missionary Movement disclosed the embarrassing fact that our Church keeps in the rear in missionary activity. Perhaps we are retarded by the backwardness of the foreign branches of our denomination. Yet it must be confessed that the English branch is not half-awake in this most important and imperative work.

The Treasurer's report indicates a livelier interest in benevolence. But it is a difficult and apparently impossible task to get each and every member to give $1.71, the amount apportioned last year. As

of old the few must bear the burden of the many. There are many difficulties in our English work peculiar to the West. We recruit our membership from all tongues and creeds. This militates against purely Lutheran forms. Still it is true that the Lutheran way is the winning way. Perhaps hereafter we must not open the doors so wide for all the world to flock in and drag with it many things that never should see the inside of a Lutheran Church.

Respectfully submitted, FULLER BERGSTRESSER,
C. B. HARMAN,
J. ALBRIGHT.

Adopted.

Adjourned with prayer.

SIXTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, 2 P. M.

After prayer, the minutes of previous session were read and approved.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies.

Your committee would report that the conditions in these two departments of our work seem to be such as to call for renewed interest and activity.

The number of Sunday schools reported is forty-six, the same as last year; the enrollment of members also being practically the same as a year ago.

Your committee recommends:

That we urge the adoption of the graded lesson system in our schools; that we endorse the principle of Lutheran literature for Lutheran Sunday schools and urge those in authority to conform to that principle; and that we commend the organization of Adult Bible classes and Teachers' Training classes.

Young People's Societies reported number twenty, a decrease of twelve during the year. They have 626 members as compared with 713 a year ago, and contributions of $98.02 as compared with $159.64 the previous year. This falling-off in the work of the young people may be due to causes over which we have no control, as the removal of some of our families, absence from home to attend school or to teach school, etc.; but your committee would recommend that the pastors give special attention to this matter during the year,

and recognizing its great importance, make an earnest effort to push forward the work among the young people of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. DEITZ,
FRED ROSS SHIRCK,
H. C. BIXLER,
C. J. RINGER.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Systematic Benevolence.

Your Committee on Systematic Benevolence would report that at the beginning of the last Synodical year we distributed 14,000 pink and 1,500 blue envelopes at a cost of $26.82. These we trust have been used in a very satisfactory manner.

It is with regret that we report a deficit in the apportionment of last year, and we pray that the spirit of benevolence may grow in the hearts of our people.

Your committee would recommend the following:

1. The observance of the various days designated by the Church for the different objects.

2. We recommend a continuance of our systematic efforts on the part of the pastors and churches, and that Synod make a suitable provision for a supply of Benevolence Envelopes for the present year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. RINGER,
H. A. WOLFE,
JOS. H. MILLER.

Adopted.

Committee on Vacancies.

Your Committee on Vacancies would report that the following churches are without pastors: Pawnee City, Tekamah, Hubbard, South Sioux, Potter and Sidney. It is with regret that we have to report such a large number of vacancies, yet it is very gratifying when we note that last year your committee reported fourteen vacancies as to six this year.

We pray that these churches may soon have shepherds to break the Bread of Life unto them.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. RINGER,
J. A. LOWE,
H. HEINER.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Minutes of Western Conference.

The Western Conference had no session during the past year owing to the fact that at no time more than three men were on the field.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. YERIAN,
DR. E. A. VANFLEET,
J. B. GUINEY.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Claims.

The following claims have been presented and considered by your committee and are hereby recommended to be paid by Synod:

Rev. Geo. W. Livers	$9 40
Rev. R. M. Badger	8 90
Rev. L. P. Ludden	15 70
Rev. C. J. Ringer	1 00
Bro. Jos. H. Miller, postage and stationery	8 75
Bro. Jos. H. Miller, fee allowed by Synod	5 00
Rev. M. L. Melick, Historian	33 09

Respectfully submitted,

JOS. H. MILLER,
L. GROH.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Minutes of North Platte Conference.

Your committee have examined the Minutes of the North Platte Conference and find nothing appearing therein demanding the attention of this session of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. HARMAN,
H. HEINER,
M. L. WARNER.

Adopted.

Report of Auditing Committee.

Your Auditing Committee submit the following report:

We have examined the books and vouchers of the Treasurer and found them to be kept in an orderly and systematic manner corresponding with the report submitted to Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. WOLFE,
G. W. SNYDER,
A. TOWNER.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Minutes of South Platte Conference.

Your Committee on South Platte Conference reports that said Conference held a meeting last April in Bruning, Rev. H. C. Bixler, pastor. There was a good attendance of ministers, an excellent program carried out, large audiences at the services, and a true Nebraska entertainment furnished all who came.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. SNYDER,
C. J. CALLIER,
M. L. MELICK.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Application from New Congregations.

Your committee would report that they have received an application for admission to this Synod from Salem Evangelical Lutheran church of Havelock, Nebr. There have been in our hands only a written application signed by the pastor, and a German constitution, but the pastor and others have assured us that the constitution provided by the Board of Home Missions has been adopted and the congregation has been received by the Home Mission Board. We recommend that the congregation be admitted into this Synod and placed on our roll.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. HARMAN,
G. KLATT,
FRED ROSS SHIRCK.

Adopted.

Moved and carried that a letter be sent to Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., expressing sympathy, and that Dr. Lowe offer prayer.

Report of Committee on Excuses.

Revs. I. N. Augustine, R. W. Livers, W. S. Oberholtzer, W. W. Gettle, E. H. Combs, W. F. Eyster, D. D., Prof. S. L. Aughey, Ph. D., LL. D., M. E. Bollinger, D. Z. Foulk, J. G. Groenmiller, D. D., M. D. Berg, L. M. Kuhns, C. H. B. Lewis, G. W. Fraser, W. E. Eckhart. Lay—Messrs. John Harberg, John H. Kuhns, Rob't. Stambaugh, J. M. King.

Your Committee on Excuses recommend the above to be excused.

Respectfully submitted,

L. GROH,
S. L. KELLER,
J. BENDER.

Adopted.

Trustees of Midland College elected: M. O. Plowman, Omaha, Neb.; C. E. Blessing, S. Auburn, Neb.

Recess was taken for the preparatory service, Rev. H. C. Bixler preaching the sermon from Psalm cxxxviii. 6-8.

Rev. J. E. Hummon was elected as Trustee to Nachusa Orphanage.

Report of the Committee on Resolutions.

WHEREAS, A communication from the Pastors' Fund stating that there are 67 widows and 34 pastors on the fund; one pastor has recently died and the widow taken on the fund; three widows to come before the fund at the next meeting; and that each widow receives not more than $150 and each pastor not more than $200; therefore, be it

1. *Resolved,* That we give ourselves with full devotion to the support of these aged and dependent ones who have given their lives in the service of the Church.

2. *Resolved,* That we have heard with pleasure and profit the President of Midland College and its representatives and the representatives of the various Boards of the Church, and that we pledge our continued support to all these worthy objects which they have so ably presented to us.

3. *Resolved,* That the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society be given the privilege of printing their Minutes with the Synodical Minutes, and that one thousand copies of the Minutes be printed, a sufficient number of which shall be placed at the disposal of the Synodical Missionary Society.

4. *Resolved,* There is no issue before the American people to-day that is causing more widespread interest and discussion than that of temperance. The breweries and the liquor interests repeatedly acknowledge it to be a moral issue. The churches in general, and our own General Synod in particular, have declared themselves emphatically on this subject. The various churches in this state have taken a decided stand. The time has come when we as a Synod cannot be true to our trust without making a similar declaration. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we heartily indorse all movements tending toward this desired goal, that we favor any restrictive or prohibitive legislation looking toward the overthrow of this great enemy of the Church, and that we favor a continuation of our present attitude toward the Anti-Saloon League. Further, be it

Resolved, That we urge our membership to deliberately consider the actual merits of this question, made so prominent at present by

the different political parties in our state, in order that as electors they may be qualified to give intelligent and conscientious support to whatever method may commend itself to their unbiased judgment.

5. *Resolved*, That in view of the highly efficient work of the new superintendent of Tabitha Home, we heartily indorse his work and assure him of our full confidence and continued support.

6. *Resolved*, That the sincere thanks of the Synod be extended to the pastor, members and friends of Trinity Lutheran church for their generous hospitality, to the city papers for their full and accurate reports of the proceedings of Synod, to the choir for their excellent and inspiring leadership in evening song and to their leader for his efficient help, to the brethren for the able, helpful and instructive addresses delivered in the evening services, and that the President of Synod give public expression of the same at the Sunday evening services.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. KISTLER,
L. J. POWELL,
L. L. LIPE.

Trustees of Tabitha Home elected: Rev. Fuller Bergstresser, J. H. Humpe.

Report of Committee on Leave of Absence.

Your committee has received requests for leave of absence from Rev. L. M. Kuhns, Rev. M. D. Berg, Dr. J. H. Miller, Messrs. Elsie Wolf and Ole Bogseth. We recommend that these be excused.

Respectfully submitted,

L. J. POWELL,
ERNEST C. MORTENSEN.
HARVEY KEIM.

Adopted.

On motion, the invitation of the several churches of greater Omaha was accepted for the next place of meeting.

On motion, the time of the convening of Synod of 1911 was left with the officers of Synod.

The report of the Committee on Synodical Calendar for 1910-1911 was submitted and adopted.

Moved and carried that the Treasurer of Synod pay the janitor of the local church $5.00.

On motion, recess was taken until close of the ordination service on Sunday evening.

Adjourned with prayer.

EVENING SERVICE.

SATURDAY, 8 O'CLOCK.

The addresses of the evening were delivered by Prof. Geo. N. Mendenhall, of Midland College, on "The Brotherhood," and by Rev. E. E. Neibel, of Monrovia, Africa, on the work in Africa.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

9:30 A. M.

Rev. J. A. Lowe, Ph. D., and W. H. Hogrefe addressed the Sunday school.

10:45 A. M.

The Communion sermon was delivered by Rev. H. A. Wolfe, after which the Lord's Supper was celebrated by the members of Synod and congregation.

7 P. M.

Rev. W. T. Kahse, of Atchison, Kansas, and Rev. E. E. Neibel addressed the Young People's Society at their regular service.

8 P. M.

Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D., preached the Ordination sermon, after which Charles Joseph Callier was ordained.

At the close of the service, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That the Synod ask the sons of Rev. H. W. Kuhns, D. D., to furnish this body, through Rev. Luther M. Kuhns, the history of their father's work in Nebraska and adjacent states and territories during the years from the beginning of his work on the field until he returned east in 1870, the same to appear over one or all of their signatures in the proposed history of Synod. The article not to exceed 2,500 words.

The President then declared the session of Synod adjourned to meet at Omaha, September —, 1911.

Benediction by the President.

ROY MAREEN BADGER,
Secretary.

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Lowe, C. R.	Surprise	Zion	1	1	..	1	8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	34	40	2500 00	.....	170 00	.....											
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		Grace.	1	..	..	..	10	..	5	3	2	..	..	..	..	14	14	27	2250 00	.....	265 00	.....											
Powell, L. J.	West Point	Grace.	1	..	..	1	14	..	5	7	26	5	16	3	16	190	246	382	8500 00	.....	1500 00	1900 00											
Ringer, C. J.	Wayne	St. Paul.	1	..	..	..	12	2	7	3	19	..	..	..	2	80	108	160	8000 00	.....	733 00	170 00											
Lowe, J. A.	Wilber.	1st Evan. Luth.	1	..	1	..	6	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	44	50	61	3500 00	.....	522 96	91 50											
Vacant	Wolbach.	Trinity	1	..	..	..	..	3	2	13	..	..	..	..	..	40	60	70	4000 00	.....	.....	.....											

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MINUTES of the THIRTIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION of the

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF

NEBRASKA.

The Thirtieth Annual Convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Synod of Nebraska opened Tuesday evening, September 20th, 1910, in Trinity Lutheran Church, Beatrice, Neb., with liturgical service by the pastor, Rev. Roy M. Badger.

Scripture, 96th Psalm, Mrs. Allan Koch, Omaha.

Prayer, Miss Sarah J. Grossman, Davenport.

Hymn, "Christ for the World."

Words of warmest welcome were spoken by Mrs. Susan Harden, Beatrice.

In response all sang "Blest be the Tie that Binds."

President's Address.

We are entering this evening upon the Thirtieth Annual Convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Lutheran Church in Nebraska. Each session presents a slightly different personnel, as though in a kaleidoscope, we view at different angles each society which goes to make up the State organization. We are all about our Father's business. Our elder Brother, Jesus Christ, has set for us the task. The title under which we labor, "Home and Foreign Missionary Society," indicates that we have an exceedingly large commission.

World evangelization is a complex work. It includes not only the righting of wrong living and thinking, the removal of ignorance and degradation, but there is involved a complete revolution and transformation of heathendom which makes old things to pass away and all things among them to be made new. It is no small thing to undertake to change the entire habits, manners and morals of a people, and were it not for that knowledge that we have a deep

and positive something to give to mankind in place of all that we strive to take away from them, the responsibility of mission work would be too overwhelming for us to undertake. The work of evangelization is unending. The Church is made up of souls which to-day are born and to-morrow pass on beyond. We cannot tell when the stream of immigration to our shores will cease. Millions are coming yearly to us for nurture and protection—many more millions remain in their native environment of sin, degradation, bondage and ignorance.

The Christian owes a duty to these every people. Nearness or distance—separation by land or by seas—does not in the least give us excuse for shifting our obligations.

Aside from the imperative command to go and preach the gospel, and make disciples of every nation, there is a material side to missions both at home and abroad which appeals to every reasoning creature. The Christianizing of the Orient means bringing to our shores prosperity and success through our commercial intercourse with the nations of the East; the Christianizing of the Occident means bringing to our doors peace, joy and happiness by banishing degrading and demoralizing influences and environment and producing an intelligent people with whom to live.

The Lutheran Church with its nineteen different languages and its pure gospel has the greatest opportunity of any church to reach the non-Christian people.

We are not lacking either in qualifications or aim: neither is the Lutheran Church lacking in wealth. Statistics show us that if the tenth were given to the Lord we could build one church a day and abundantly support the work in them all. We could endow every college in our branch of the general work and double twice our contributions to the work of extension and evangelization without placing a burden upon any one.

But we who are gathered in convention this week need not the assurance of the importance of this commission. We do not need to ask ourselves whether or not the gospel message is needed by all the world. We need not discuss among ourselves the advantage to the heathen of destroying their illiteracy, superstition and vice. We simply know what great things God hath done for us, and we want to know through our deliberations together how best to share these good things with others and how most effectively to interest those who are indifferent to the divine command.

God does not require of us to labor alone. He is with us in our every endeavor. The true missionary spirit is born in the quiet, every-day life. If we would be most influential abroad, there must be within us the development of unselfish and Christ-like sacrifice

before results may be obtained. The heart must learn to respond to the missionary cries and be ever ready to say, "Here am I, Lord, What wilt Thou have me to do." The plant cannot bring to perfection its bloom, unless diligently cultivated—neither can the beautiful service abroad be possible without a strong Christian life of service behind it.

The apostle Paul recognized the impossibility of successful labor alone, and learned the lesson that he could do all things through Christ which gave him strength.

Then let us first of all live the religion we profess.

This convention promises to be the best in representation of any gathering held in years. The spirit of auxiliaries has been largely that of wide-awake and growing interest. Desire for organizations has been manifested in places where the work has been dropped, and in several locations where there have not before been societies. There is work for the organizer in each conference. Let us pray that the enthusiasm of this convention will extend to these places and arouse a substantial determination for work among them.

It was with sincere regret that we were compelled to drop from our roll the societies in Grand Island, McCool Junction and Stella. We think the spirit of missions is but laying dormant in these places. We trust that, like the seed-bud, it is storing strength for greater organizations in the future. The Mission Bands at North Platte, Ponca, Beatrice and Nebraska City and the Helpers' Circle at West Point are all welcomed to our ranks. It is especially gratifying to see the progress among the young and to feel that while young women are in training for our senior societies, boys are also being taught for the great Men's Missionary Movement which is now stirring the world.

There are vast possibilities of growth in our auxiliaries through the Home Department. Your Magazine Secretary can supply copies of the magazine. The *Lutheran's Woman's Work* is a gold mine of interesting reading and valuable information. The four booklets of the Home Department furnish very attractive and instructive sources of disseminating missionary intelligence. May we not make a little stronger effort during the coming year to create a healthy demand for our literature, knowing that we need but to awaken interest in missions to create genuine enthusiasm.

May, 1910, marked the Golden Jubilee of mission work in Africa. While we rejoice that we have overcome so much in establishing the work in Monrovia and inland, there comes a wave of sadness when we realize the necessity that has been placed upon our missionaries to refuse further admissions to the schools until the women of America respond more liberally to the support of the work. Where

do these little negroes go? What is it in them which prompts them to ask for an education? When we have to refuse them, is it not almost like giving a stone instead of bread, or a serpent instead of meat? These are our stars for the diadems which we are to wear in eternity—we who shall have done what we could.

There are yet eight months in which to rally all our forces to the work which we have undertaken as a General Society, and we are sure that the need is so great that the effort will not be too much for us to meet all that has been pledged.

It is a great privilege to have with us at this convention, and to have connected with our state work, one who was the first president of the first synodical and the first auxiliary society of the Women in the Lutheran Church—Mrs. Geo. W. Snyder, now of Omaha, Nebraska.

We are glad for the counsel and help which these women of longer and more mature experience can give us, and surely with the addition of the number of energetic women who have come in our midst within the past few months. There is a most encouraging outlook for our Woman's work in Nebraska.

The presence of our General Society Treasurer, Mrs. E. D. Miller, of Kansas City, Mo., and of the Rev. E. E. Neibel, Missionary from Monrovia, Africa, gives us much satisfaction and pleasure, and furnishes just the inspiration we had desired as an executive committee in furnishing this year's program.

Your President would again this year as last call to your attention the twilight hour of prayer for Missions, also the "Win One" cards and the contest which has been going on for magazine subscribers. Our sister State, Kansas, held the banner in the latter contest for 1909.

That God may bless us and our efforts to do what we can for Him, has been and is my earnest prayer.

Anthem by choir.

Address by Mrs. E. D. Miller, Kansas City, Mo., Treasurer of General Society.

Offering $4.04.

Benediction, Rev. L. Groh, D. D., Omaha, President of Nebraska Synod.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Devotional service, Mrs. M. A. Mostert, Beatrice.

Credentials received and roll formed.

Officers.

President—Mrs. R. M. Badger.
Vice-President—Miss Matie Martin.
Recording Secretary—Miss Maude C. Martin.
Treasurer—Miss Elizabeth Haase.
Corresponding Secretary—Miss Lydia Bender.
Historian—Mrs. M. A. Mostert.

Delegates.

Beatrice—Mrs. Susan Harden, Mrs. Emma J. Cook.
Dakota—Emmanuel—Miss Elizabeth S. Haase.
Davenport—Miss Sarah J. Grossman.
Lincoln—Mrs. Fuller Bergstresser, Mrs. W. J. Stahl.
McCool Junction—Mrs. J. B. Guiney.
North Platte—Mrs. H. W. Bird, Mrs. C. B. Harmon.
Omaha—Kountze Memorial—Mrs. Allen Koch, Mrs. J. E. Hummon, Mrs. Paul Springer, Mrs. Oleva Kuehn.
Ponca—Mrs. J. D. Kautz.
Omaha—Trinity Lutheran—Mrs. Geo. W. Snyder.
Roca—Miss Matie Martin.
Stella—Mrs. R. C. Shirck.
West Point—Mrs. A. L. Krause.
Wilber—Mrs. J. A. Lowe.
Yutan—Miss Lydia Bender.

Young People's Societies.

Beatrice—Mrs. Gredler.
Nebraska City—Miss Petring.

Mission Bands.

Davenport—Miss Grossman.
Ponca—Mrs. J. D. Kautz.
Nebraska City—Miss Mary Johnson.
Beatrice—Mrs. E. P. Mumford.

Life Members.

Beatrice—Mrs. Susan Harden, Mrs. M. A. Mostert.
Dakota—Emmanuel—Miss Elizabeth S. Haase.
North Platte—Ulric Monroe Harmon.

Omaha — Kountze Memorial — Mrs. Pella, Mrs. J. E. Hummon, Mrs. Oleva Kuehn.

Omaha—Trinity—Mrs. Geo. W. Snyder.

Visitors' Roll.

Mrs. E. D. Miller, Kansas City, Mo., General Treasurer; Rev. L. Groh, D. D., Omaha; Rev. E. E. Neibel, returned missionary from Africa; Mrs. H. A. Keim, Mrs. F. O. Steward, Bruening; Mrs. Pella, Omaha; Mrs. J. A. Koser, Nebraska City; Mrs. Gustav Klatt, Stamford; Miss Lilydale Koser, Nebraska City; Rev. J. A. Lowe, Wilber; Rev. Luther Kuhns, Omaha; Rev. L. J. Powell, West Point; Rev. H. C. Bixler, Bruning; Rev. J. L. Hammond, Homer; Mr. Mellott, South Auburn; Rev. R. M. Badger, Mrs. Kimmerling, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. East, Mrs. Chas. Hoffhine, Mrs. Frank, Misses Sophia and Molly Neidhard and Ida Albright, Beatrice; Miss Anna Lesher, Lincoln.

Announcement of Committees.

President's and Historian's Reports — Mesdames J. E. Hummon and Allen Koch.

Report of Executive Committee—Miss Sarah Grossman, Mrs. C. B. Harmon.

Report of Corresponding Secretary — Mesdames Bergstresser and Guiney.

Auditing Committee—Miss Bender, Mrs. Kuehn.

Secretaries' Reports — Mesdames Springer, Mostert, Lowe, Miss Koser.

Resolutions—Misses Haase, Petring, Mesdames Krause and Kautz.

Letters and Papers, Conference Superintendents' Reports—Mesdames Stahl and Steward.

Printed Minutes—Mesdames Koch and Lowe.

Reporters.

Lutheran World—Miss Koser.

Lutheran Observer—Mrs. M. A. Mostert.

Lutheran Woman's Work—Mrs. A. L. Krause.

Daily Papers—Mrs. Springer, Miss Matie Martin.

Report of Corresponding Secretary, 1909–1910.

SYNODICAL SOCIETIES. WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.	Quarters Reported.	Organized.	PRESIDENTS.	CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.	MEMBERS. Active.	Honorary.	Cradle Roll.	Life.	Home Department.	Total.	TIME OF MEETING.	No. of Meetings.	Lutheran Woman's Work.	King's Message.	No. of Boxes.	Value of Boxes.
1. Beatrice	1, 2, 3, 4	1892	Mrs. M. A. Mostert	Mrs. U. W. Munson	18	..	53	..	...	71	1st Thursday.	12	13	....	..	.....
2. Benson	1, 2, 3, 4	1907	Mrs. J. P. Peterson	Mrs. Ed. Wulff	18	..	..	..	....	18	2d Wednesday.	12	2	....	..	.....
3. Dakota, Emmanuel	1, 2, 3, 4	1891	Mrs. Geo. Niebuler	Mrs. Ada Sherman	14	3	..	3	1	15	1st Thursday.	12	9	85	..	.....
4. Dakota, Salem	1	1901	Mrs. Mollie Sides	Mrs. Tina Breidenbaugh.	21	..	..	..	....	21	1st Friday.	1	5	....	..	.....
5. Davenport	1, 2, 3, 4	1907	Mrs. H. A. Wolfe	Miss Sarah J. Grossman.	10	1	..	3	....	11	1st Sunday.	8	6	....	..	.....
6. Homer	2, 4	1905	Mrs. J. Baugous	Mrs. Chas. Jordan	9	2	..	..	....	11	3d Thursday.	2	4	....	..	.....
7. Lincoln	2, 3, 4	1890	Mrs. J. H. Humpe	Mrs. L. P. Ludden	16	4	..	..	....	20	1st Wednesday.	6	14	....	..	$15 00
8. North Platte	1, 2, 3, 4	1904	Mrs. Fred. Thompson	Mrs. Fred. Fredrickson	15	2	..	1	6	17	Last Friday.	12	35	....	..	.....
9. Omaha	1, 2, 3, 4	1886	Mrs. J. E. Hummon	Mrs. M. O. Plowman	26	3	..	2	....	29	3d Wednesday.	12	12	....	..	.....
10. Ponca	1, 2, 3, 4	1880	Mrs. R. R. Page	Miss Leona Deitz	26	1	..	..	....	27	1st Friday.	12	15	....	..	.....
11. Roca	1, 2, 3, 4	1892	Miss Matie Martin	Mrs. Henry Wissel	7	1	..	..	....	8	2d Sunday.	3	4	....	..	.....
12. Rising City	1, 2, 3, 4	1904	Mrs. L. J. Saylor	Mrs. D. Loudenslager	18	3	..	..	....	21	1st Wednesday.	12	18	30	..	.....
13. Tekamah	4	1881	Mrs. M. O. Willert	Mrs. Estella Wood	3	..	..	..	....	3	.....	..	4	....	..	.....
14. West Point	1, 2, 3, 4	1904	Mrs. Ida King	Mrs. Ella J. DeBell	12	1	..	1	....	13	1st Wednesday.	11	13	....	2	12 00
15. Wilber	2, 4	1909	Mrs. J. A. Lowe	Mrs. E. E. Shimonek	5	..	..	..	....	5	2d Thursday.	1	....	....	..	.....
16. York	2, 3, 4	1906	Miss Hazel Foster	Miss Esther Hansen	3	1	..	..	....	4	4th Friday.	9	3	....	..	.....
17. Yutan	4	1883	.....	Miss Lydia A. Bender	2	2	..	..	....	4	.....	..	2	....	..	.....
Totals	.....	....	.....	.....	223	24	53	10	7	298	.....	..	159	55	2	.....
YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.																
1. Beatrice	4	1906	Emmerson Droullard	Miss Effie Smith	36	..	..	..	....	36	Every Sunday.	..	....	....	..	.....
2. Nebraska City	1, 2, 3, 4	1908	Mrs. Jennie Oleson Stutt.	Miss Mary Johnson	11	11	..	..	....	22	1st Monday.	29	10	....	..	.....
3. Roca	4	1905	Miss Matie Martin	Mrs. Henry Wissel	8	..	..	..	....	8	Every Sunday.	..	....	....	..	.....
4. Wilber	2, 4	1909	.....	Mrs. E. E. Shimonek	15	..	..	..	....	15	Last Sunday.	..	....	....	..	....
Totals	.....	....	.....	.....	60	11	..	..	....	81	.....	..	10	....	..	.....
MISSION BANDS.																
1. Auburn	1, 2, 3, 4	1906	.....	Miss Carrie Mellott	10	2	..	..	....	12	Every Sunday.	..	2	10	..	.....
2. Davenport	1, 2, 3, 4	1908	.....	Miss Sarah Grossman	14	..	..	..	....	14	Last Saturday.	4	....	10	..	.....
3. Nebraska City	3, 4	1910	.....	Miss Mary Johnson	8	..	..	..	....	8	Last Sunday.	3	....	10	..	.....
4. North Platte	2, 4	1910	Mrs. C. B. Harmon	Miss Evelyn Hansen	20	..	..	..	....	20	2d Saturday.	12	....	30	..	.....
5. Ponca	3, 4	1910	Miss Marie Campbell	Mrs. J. D. Kautz	12	..	..	..	....	12	1st&3d Saturday.	18	....	10	1	1 00
6. Beatrice	4	1910	Mrs. E. P. Mumford	Miss Sadie Rumbaugh	20	..	..	..	....	20	Every 2 weeks.	10	....	24	..	.....
7. York	1, 3, 4	1907	Miss Gladys Johnson	Miss Frances Miller	12	..	..	..	....	12	Last Saturday.	4	....	12	..	.....
Totals	.....	....	.....	.....	76	2	..	..	....	78	.....	..	2	106	1	$1 00
Grand Totals	.....	...	.....	.....	315	37	53	10	7	477	.....	..	171	161	3	$28 00

MISS LYDIA A. BENDER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Report of Treasurer read and referred to Auditing Committee.

Treasurer's Report.

I hereby submit the following report:

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand September 18, 1909	$75 91
Receipts (see Exhibit)	640 41
Total	$716 32

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid General Treasurer—			
For General Fund	$295 00		
For Life Membership	60 00		
For Thank-Offering	191 00		
For Christmas Offering	8 00		
For support of Girls' School in India	30 00		
For support of E. V. Day School in Africa	1 00		
For church building, St. Thomas Mission, N. Y.	2 00		
For May Memorial Fund	8 00		
For Nursery in India	2 00		
		$597 00	
From Synodical Fee Fund—			
To Mrs. R. M. Badger, postage	$4 14		
For stationery	7 25		
To Mrs. L. J. Saylor, postage	91		
To Miss Maude Martin	2 20		
To Paul Springer & Co., programs	5 00		
To Mrs. O. F. Peters, postage	3 89		
To Mrs. L. P. Ludden, R. R. fare	1 60		
To exchange	60		
To Miss Haase, R. R. fare and postage	9 45		
		35 04	
For Nebraska Tablet in India Hospital		17 50	
To Mrs. J. A. Lowe, delegate to General Convention		20 00	
Total			669 54
Cash on hand			$46 78

Cash on hand is as follows—

Silver Anniversary Fund	$22 50
Synodical Fee Fund	22 26
Thank-Offering	63
General Convention Delegate	80
Christmas Offering	10
E. V. Day Girls' School in Africa	10
Girls' School in India	39
	$46 78

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF MONEYS RECEIVED SINCE SEPTEMBER 19, 1910.

From Omaha, Kountze Memorial—		
For General Fund	$5 00	
For Life Membership	10 00	
		$15 00
From Beatrice—		
For Life Membership		20 00
From Yutan—		
For Delegate to General Convention		1 88
From Nebraska City, Young People's—		
For life Membership		10 00
From Rev. G. W. Livers—		
For Life Membership		10 00
From Mrs. M. A. Mostert—		
For Synodical Fee Fund		1 25
From Mrs. R. M. Badger—		
For Synodical Fee Fund		1 25
From Miss Lydia A. Bender—		
For Synodical Fee Fund		2 00
		61 38
Total cash on hand		$108 16

Respectfully submitted, ELIZABETH S. HAASE.

Reports accepted and referred to the committees.

Treasurer's Exhibit of Receipts for Year Ending September 17, 1910.

	General Fund.	Synodical Fee Fund.	Thank-Offering.	Nebraska Tablet in India Hospital.	General Convention Delegate.	Silver Anniversary Fund.	Girls' School in India.	Girls' School in Africa.	Christmas Offering.	May Memorial.	Life Membership.	St. Thomas' Mission Church.	Nursery in India.	Totals.
Offerings at Convention		$5 53		$0 80	$2 91									$9 24
Interest						$1 10								1 10
Woman's Societies.														
Beatrice	$16 15	1 80	$10 15		80					$0 40		$0 80		30 10
Benson	8 95													8 95
Dakota City, Emmanuel	13 94	3 05	8 07						$1 10	40		60		27 16
Dakota City, Salem	8 65		5 40											14 05
Davenport	21 20	1 00	9 27				$0 50	$1 10			$30 00	60		63 67
Homer	8 80	1 05	5 25											15 10
Lincoln	10 92	3 80	9 00	35	1 20		1 00			1 00			$2 00	29 27
North Platte	26 00	2 50	10 00	60	70				7 00		10 00			56 80
Omaha, Kountze Memorial	16 00	2 90	22 00				25 00			5 40				71 30
Ponca	32 00	3 10	10 00											45 10
Rising City	39 85	1 90	34 00											75 75
Roca	8 95	3 80	2 25				2 00							17 00
Tekamah	6 00	60	16 71											23 31
West Point	15 75		20 34								80			46 89
Wilber	5 40													5 40
York	6 80	40									10 00			17 20
Yutan	4 40	1 00	1 00				1 89							6 29

Treasurer's Exhibit of Receipts for Year Ending September 17, 1910.—*Concluded.*

	General Fund.	Synodical Fee Fund.	Thank-Offering.	Nebraska Tablet in India Hospital.	General Convention Delegate.	Silver Anniversary Fund.	Girls' School in India.	Girls' School in Africa.	Christmas Offering.	May Memorial.	Life Membership.	St. Thomas' Mission Church.	Nursery in India.	Totals.
YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.														
Beatrice	$7 89													$7 89
Nebraska	19 60		$24 86											44 46
Roca		$2 00												2 00
Wilber	2 60													2 60
York	1 00													1 00
MISSION BANDS.														
Beatrice	3 63													3 63
Davenport	1 95		50											2 45
Nebraska City	2 21													2 21
Ponca	1 86													1 86
Rising City			63											63
South Auburn	4 50		1 50											6 00
Totals	$295 00	$34 43	$190 93	$1 75	$5 61	$1 20	$30 39	$1 10	$8 10	$8 00	$60 00	$2 00	$2 00	$640 41

Report of Committee on Letters and Papers.

Your Committee on Letters and Papers and Conference Superintendents' Reports submit the following:

Among the letters and papers placed in our hands we find greetings from Mrs. Helen C. Beegle, Mrs. Alice Bond and Dr. H. L. Yarger; a letter from Mrs. Kate Boggs Shaffer presenting the need of increased offerings to the General Fund and urging the women to come to the rescue by larger Christmas and Thankofferings; a letter of greeting from the Treasurer of the Pastors' Fund Society who asks for our prayers and personal offerings; a letter from Chas. E. Hay, of the Deaconess Board, inviting our sympathy, our prayers and our co-operation, and a letter from the Superintendent of the National Reform Association urging us to appoint delegates to the World's Christian Citizenship Conference in Philadelphia, Pa., November 16-20, 1910.

We commend the work of the Conference Superintendents, and rejoice that a new society has been organized in the North Platte Conference. We note their diligent personal work and believe their labors will be rewarded.

The excellent paper on Deaconess Work, by Miss Koser, was very much appreciated. The need of our mite toward the work, in means as well as sympathy and prayer, was clearly shown.

The paper "Missions in the Sunday School," by Miss Lesher, awakened her hearers to the crying need of workers in the Sunday school, and we recommend that this paper be made a circular letter and read at a meeting of each society in the Nebraska Synod.

The Young People's Department work shows earnest work and thought by Miss Johnson and Mrs. Bergstresser.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. W. I. STAHL,
MRS. F. O. STEWARD.

Adopted.

Report of Magazine Secretary.

Your Magazine Secretary begs leave to submit the following report:

Have written 30 letters and 17 postal cards. Am glad to report that societies have been more prompt in reporting this year than last. The increase in subscriptions to *Woman's Work* is not what we hoped it might be.

We rejoice that many more copies of the *King's Message* have been placed in our homes through our Mission Bands and the Sunday school. One of our Sunday schools has found it to fill a long-felt need. We trust many more may do likewise.

I take this opportunity to thank all who have so kindly given their time and interest to advance this important part of our work.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. L. J. SAYLOR.

Report of the Home Department Secretary.

Members and Friends of Convention:

The pulse of the Home Department beats some stronger than it did a year ago, and we are expecting steady improvement now.

The North Platte auxiliary reports a Home Department of tender age, with more members ready to enter as soon as we can get them gathered in. York has also enlisted in the work of the Home Department, and there are others on the way. Let us not forget to give thanks to Him from whom all blessings flow, and pray and work for greater things this coming year.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. F. FREDRICKSON.

P. S.—A number of auxiliaries have not been heard from, though they have been written to more than once.

Report of the Literature Committee.

We pass to-day another milestone in the great work of helping to make the world better and brighter; it is the close of the year as a Synodical Society—that means another annual report. The report of your committee contains nothing so new or startling, for during this year it has been simply a forward movement in the sending out of our literature. It could have been better and larger, if so many of the societies could always "just remember" and if others fully realized how much they need the literature. Correct information is so easily obtained from our many printed pages—and the work is always better if the information given is correct. We have no new recommendations, just the old-time regular plea—a simple request that each delegate urge her society to make still larger use of our helpful literature, our tracts, our different text-books and our wonderful *Woman's Work*. We plead not just to circulate them among the different members or workers in our Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies but a reaching still further until the tract or the book and the *Woman's Work* is found in every home in the Synod. We urge this year, then, that a still stronger effort be made to give the splendid literature furnished by our General Society a still larger circulation than ever before. Our watchword should be, circulate, *circulate*—a "sowing beside all waters," not only a society in every congregation but every society fully equipped with a good supply of our literature.

The financial exhibit this year is as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand last report	$5 36
Sales at the convention	6 60
Dakota City	50
Beatrice	50
North Platte	50
Homer	50
Rising City	50
Boca, tracts and books	1 10
Lincoln, books and tracts	85
Omaha, books and tracts	1 05
York	50
Davenport	50
Ponca	50
Tutan	50
	$19 46

DISBURSEMENTS.

For stamps	$2 45
For literature and books	12 14
Balance on hand	4 87
	$19 46

All bills are paid.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. LUTHER P. LUDDEN.

Historian's Report.

Your Historian has nothing special to report for this year.

Not very large figures appear on these pages and yet there has been an undercurrent of strength and knowledge gained, which is far more valuable than our computations show. Let us be thankful and hopeful for this.

We have never before been so well equipped with the necessary means of information. Never before have our women been so eager to know more of the work. They are loyal to all the plans of our Synodical Society and so thoroughly understand the workings of the General Society and its Executive Committee. We are proud of our working force on the Nebraska field.

The future outlook is one that gladdens, and if there be a prophetess among us let her speak and tell of what shall be in years to come when there shall be a Missionary Society in every congregation.

Many congregations are asking, "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?"

Now for the results that are evident.

We have collected during the year:

1. Minutes of Auburn Conference, 1909.
2. Guntur Mission Report, 1909.
3. *Lutheran Woman's Work*, 1909.
4. *Golden Key, Band Book*, and pictures with the book.
5. Monthly tracts.

Some additional facts from our several auxiliaries:

Four report an increase in membership; the rest are in good condition. Two have disbanded for several reasons. Four increased in their contributions. Nearly all use the United Study Course at their monthly meetings.

Best results have come from personal invitations, different leaders, light refreshments and social hour at close.

The twilight hour of prayer is observed by a few societies.

There have been two deaths in our ranks the past year—Mrs. Simpson Ball, Ponca; Mrs. Frank Sawyer, Homer, Neb., December 19, 1909.

We have gained 10 Life Members—three daughters of Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Wolfe, of Davenport (Opal, Pearl, Ruby); Luther Heller, of West Point; Mrs. Hummon, of Omaha; Ulric M. Harmon, 3 years, of North Platte; Paul White, 3 years, of York, Neb.; Martha Johnson, of Nebraska City; Mrs. M. A. Mostert, of Beatrice, Neb.; and to-day we have the pleasure of announcing the addition of Mrs. Susan Harder, of Beatrice, made a Life Member by the Beatrice Society.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. M. A. MOSTERT.

Report of Committee on Corresponding Secretary Report.

The committee submits the following:

1. We have carefully examined the report of the Corresponding Secretary and rejoice with her in the increase along many lines in the past year.

2. Omaha is the banner society in increased membership. West Point is the banner society in offering—according to membership. North Platte is the banner society in the number of *Woman's Work*.

3. We heartily endorse her plea for greater activity and promptness in reports.

Appreciation and thanks are due her for her untiring work.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. FULLER BERGSTRESSER,
MRS. J. B. GUINEY.

Adopted.

Report of the Secretary of Thank-offering Department.

Your Secretary of the Thank-offering Department has, during the past year, written twenty-seven letters, thus reaching all of our Woman's and Young People's Societies and Mission Bands, and has endeavored to stimulate and encourage the work of this Department. Reports were received from six of the societies, one of which gives this encouraging report: "Our offering is $20.35. While this is not a very large amount, it is a beginning; our first offering." Surely a blessed beginning, and with the prayers accompanying our offering, who can measure the result?

Respectfully submitted, MRS. W. I. STAHL.

Report of Box-Work.

Number of letters written 24, number of cards 25. Letters were sent to 24 organized societies as listed in last year's Minutes, asking them to aid in Home Mission Box-Work.

Following are the offerings of the different societies for the box packed at this convention for Rev. Carl Heinrich, of Wellsburg, Iowa:

Beatrice	$4 00
Dakota City	3 82
Davenport	2 50
Lincoln	6 00
North Platte	5 50
Omaha	11 00
Ponca	5 50
Rising City	8 00
Roca	2 50
West Point	6 75
Yutan	2 50
Nebraska City, Y. P.	4 40
Auburn, M. B.	1 00
Total	$63 47

Other boxes packed during the year:

Lincoln—To Mr. and Mrs Elmore, for a gramophone to take back to India	$8 00
West Point—African Christmas Box	3 20
India Easter Box	8 80
Barrel of fruit to Nachusa Orphanage, Ill.	4 00
	$24 00

Report of Committee on Reports of Department Secretaries.

The Reports of Department Secretaries placed in the hands of your committee have been examined and we find that they have all done their work faithfully and God will surely bless their efforts.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. PAUL SPRINGER,
LILLYDALE KOSER,
MRS. M. A. MOSTERT,
MRS. J. A. LOWE.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Historian's Report.

Your Committee on Historian's Report has carefully examined the record of last year and find that all facts and figures have been carefully noted.

We would urge the auxiliary societies to assist the Historian by communicating to her all important events which should be made a matter of permanent record.

We also desire to express our appreciation of the faithful work of the Historian and pledge to her more faithful assistance in the future.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. J. E. HUMMON,
MRS. ALLEN KOCH.

Received and referred to committee.

Report of Committee on President's Report.

Your committee has carefully read the President's annual report to the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Nebraska Synod and find it to be a communication highly commendable and altogether worthy of the position and also of the society which our President has so faithfully served in the past year.

We express our appreciation of our President's annual report and thank her for the message which it brought to us.

We note with sincere regret the abandonment of the societies at Grand Island, McCool Junction and Stella, and would suggest that the matter of the abandonment of these societies and their organization be made a subject of conference at this convention.

We rejoice with our President over the birth of the Mission Bands reported to this convention, namely, North Platte, Ponca, Beatrice, Nebraska City and the Helpers' Circle at West Point, and also the bright, new organization in Trinity Lutheran Church, Omaha, of which Mrs. Geo. W. Snyder, the first auxiliary executive of the General Synod Society, is the organizer and first President.

We commend the suggestion of the President regarding the "Win One" cards and the contest for magazine subscriptions to the faithful consideration of the auxiliary societies.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. J. E. HUMMON,
Mrs. ALLEN KOCH.

Adopted.

Report of Auditing Committee.

We, your committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's Report, beg leave to submit the following:

We have carefully examined all books and receipts of the Treasurer and find them correct.

We wish to commend our Treasurer for the neatness and accuracy with which she kept her books and accounts.

Respectfully submitted, Miss LYDIA A. BENDER,
Mrs. OLEVA M. KUEHN.

Adopted.

Report of Superintendent of South Platte Division.

Number of unorganized churches in South Platte territory, 11—Auburn, Nebraska City, Bruning, Sutherland, Hardy, Benedict, Stamford, Oshkosh, Stella, Sidney, McCool Junction.

I corresponded with the above congregations, writing to the pastors, setting forth the benefit of a Missionary Society to a congregation, especially to a pastor; asking each pastor to reply by return mail, giving his unbiased judgment as to the expediency of organizing a Missionary Society.

Six pastors replied, saying the time was not yet; in each case admitting that such a society was a good thing. Five pastors not responding at all.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. J. A. LOWE.

Report of Superintendent of North Platte Conference.

There is reason for rejoicing in North Platte Conference, as seed has been sown which I know will bring forth an abundant harvest. On Friday, September 16th, Mrs. Laura Snyder organized a society of nine members in Trinity Lutheran Church, Omaha.

Personal work has been done by me, and although not able to report any other new societies, I am much in prayer that next year we may report at least two if not three new societies from North Platte Conference.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. O. M. KUEHN.

Supplemental Report of Corresponding Secretary.

The following was reported at convention:

Trinity Church, Omaha, a Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society was organized September 16, 1910, with nine active members. Mrs. Geo. W. Snyder, President; Mrs. Anna Bassett, Corresponding Secretary.

Five Life Members were added during convention.

Respectfully submitted, LYDIA A. BENDER.

Report of Secretary of Mission Band.

Thirty letters and cards written. Eleven answers received. Four Bands organized.

Respectfully submitted, SARAH J. GROSSMAN.

Report of Executive Committee.

Your Executive Committee has met two times since last convention. The first meeting was held in the church immediately after the close of the convention. The bills presented were allowed. It was decided that the President have cards printed as per recommendation of the Committee on President's Report. The Secretary was instructed to order stationery.

The second executive meeting was at the Martin home at Hickman, Mesdames Badger and Mostert and Misses Elizabeth Haase and Matie and Maude Martin present. Reports of officers were encouraging. Motion passed that President and Secretary investigate the matter of incorporation and dispose of it.

The program of convention was then arranged.

Respectfully submitted, MAUDE MARTIN.

Report of Committee on Executive Committee's Report.

Report shows two meetings held during the year, at which time all necessary business was transacted.

We commend the appointment of Mrs. Badger and Miss Maude Martin for investigating the matter of incorporation, and respectfully ask if this matter was looked into.

Respectfully submitted, S. J. GROSSMAN,
MARY JOHNSON.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

Your committee begs leave to submit the following:

1. *Resolved*, That we are profoundly grateful to our Heavenly Father for what our Society has been enabled to accomplish during

the past year, under the guidance of our faithful and efficient officers.

2. *Resolved*, That with God's help we will strive to put forth greater efforts during the coming year. First, that we will be loyal to our officers; second, to enlist all the women of the Synod in our work; third, to increase the circulation of *Woman's Work* and *Lutheran Boys and Girls*.

3. *Resolved*, That we rejoice in the large number of new Life Members, and in the increase of interest in the work among the young people and children.

4. *Resolved*, That we express appreciation of the helpful presence of Mrs. Miller, Treasurer of the General Society, and all those who in any way have contributed to the success of the convention.

5. *Resolved*, That the cherished memories of the two co-workers, called from labor to reward, stimulate us to greater faithfulness.

6. *Resolved*, That the plea for Tabitha Home be discussed.

7. *Resolved*, That we express our gratitude to the pastor and his wife, to the members and friends of Trinity Lutheran church, whose cordial hospitality we have enjoyed; to the local press for courtesies extended and to the members of the United Brethren for the use of their building.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH S. HAASE,
MRS. J. D. KAUTZ,
FLORENCE PETRING,
MRS. JESSIE E. KRAUSE.

Adopted.

Report of Secretary of Young People's Department.

Your Secretary of the Young People's Department reports as follows:

Have written fifty-five (55) letters with twenty-nine postal enclosures, relative to the organization of a society or a Helper's Circle.

No apparent marks of success have crowned the efforts of your Secretary, aside from the organization of a Circle at West Point.

Let us hope that my efforts have not been in vain and pray for greater success for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted, MARY JOHNSON.

Solo, Miss Matie Martin.

Motion passed that morning meetings close at 11:30.

On motion, visitors were made tentative delegates of Convention.

Closing prayer, Mrs. E. D. Miller.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotional service led by Mrs. J. D. Kautz.

Solo, Miss Ida Albright.

Roll call. Minutes read and accepted.

In the Delegates' hour the reports of the methods of work used in the auxiliaries were very interesting and helpful.

Mrs. E. D. Miller exhibited curios from India.

Paper on Deaconess Work, Miss Koser.

Paper, "Importance of Mission Band Work," Miss Sarah J. Grossman.

Hymn, "My Church, My Church."

Model Mission Band conducted by Mrs. E. P. Mumford.

Box-packing service held in the evening after synodical sermon. Opened with hymn, "Something for Thee."

Scripture, Miss Lydia Bender.

Prayer, Miss Matie Martin.

In response to their names as roll was called, the delegates carried their offerings to the box with appropriate verses of Scripture.

Prayer of Consecration, Rev. J. A. Lowe.

Doxology.

Valuation of box, $63.47.

THURSDAY MORNING.

Consecration service, led by Mrs. Oleva Kuehn.

Roll call.

Minutes real and approved.

Paper, "Missionary Society at work in the Sabbath School," Miss Anna Lesher, Lincoln.

Discussion.

Mr. Koolen was introduced and spoke in the interest of Tabitha Home at Lincoln.

Rev. L. M. Kuhns spoke of the Luther League and of the need of missions in Korea.

Rev. Yerian presented the work at South Omaha.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Hymn, "O Worship the King."

Prayer, Mrs. E. D. Miller, Miss Matie Martin.

Roll call. Minutes read and approved.

Symposium—Young People's Department—(*a*) "What It Is," Miss Mary Johnson; (*b*) "What It Is Doing," Mrs. Fuller Bergstresser, Lincoln.

Rev. J. F. Kuhlman, the oldest Lutheran minister living in the state, was introduced and spoke of the life of the early pioneer missionaries.

Miss Lesher explained the Cradle Roll certificate.

Solo, Mrs. Oleva Kuehn.

On motion, report of Committee on President's Report adopted item by item. Adopted as a whole.

The item concerning the abandonment of the three societies was discussed.

Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D., presented greetings from the Board of Home Missions, speaking of the field opening, ready and waiting for the workers to enter.

Report of auditing committee accepted.

Report of Treasurer accepted as audited.

Mrs. M. A. Mostert presented the charts as used in the local auxiliary.

Twilight Hour opened with hymn, "Sweet Hour of Prayer."

Scripture, 96th Psalm.

Prayer, Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D.

Solo, Miss Petring.

Hymn 471.

Closing prayer, Mrs. Kuehn.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Devotional service, led by Mrs. J. A. Lowe.

Roll call. Minutes read and approved.

Parliamentary Drill, Miss Matie Martin.

Rev. E. E. Neibel, returned missionary from Africa, presented greetings and spoke briefly of the work in Africa.

A letter from the Ladies' Missionary Guild of Potter was read, and motion passed that letter be placed in the hands of Western Conference Superintendent and that she correspond with them.

Motion passed that the matter of incorporation be further investigated by the Executive Committee, and if they deem it advisable they proceed to incorporate the Society.

Motion passed that the Auxiliary Societies assist their pastors in raising funds for Tabitha Home.

Motion passed that a box be packed at next Convention.

Election of Officers.

President—Mrs. R. M. Badger.

Vice-President—Miss Matie Martin.

Recording Secretary—Miss Maude C. Martin.

Treasurer—Miss Elizabeth Haase.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Lydia A. Bender.

Delegate to General Convention—Mrs. Badger.

Bills read and allowed.

Place of next Convention left to the Executive Committee.

Motion passed that Committee on Printed Minutes report to the Executive Committee.

The Thirtieth Annual Convention was declared closed by the President.

MAUDE C. MARTIN,
Secretary.

FORM OF BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

I give and bequeath to the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States, its successors and assigns, the sum of dollars, and request my executor or administrator to pay to said corporation said amount at the settlement of my estate.

I hereby give and devise to the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States, its successors and assigns, the following described real estate: , to have and to hold the same with appurtenances thereto.

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